

## **Disability Support Services** Guide for Obtaining Documentation of your Disability

Yakima Valley College does not assess students for disabilities. If you think you might have a disability, but don't have documentation, we recommended that you go online to look for a qualified professional in your area who can assess individuals for disabilities. The most common documentation for a specific learning disability is an IEP (Individual Education Plan) or 504 Plan from high school. If you had either, contact the school district you attended and ask for a copy of it. The IEP/504 Plan needs to include the assessment used for determining your disability (usually called the Evaluation Report) to qualify as appropriate documentation.

<b>Disability Category</b>	Professional Providers to be Consulted
Mobility	Rehabilitation therapist,
Psych/Emotional Disability	Psychologist, Psychiatrist
Visual Impairment/Blindness	Ophthalmologist
Deafness/Hard of Hearing	Audiologist, Certified Otologist
Specific Learning Disability	Psychologist, Neuropsychiatrist, School Psychologist,
	IEP (must have the Evaluation Report in IEP) or 504 Plan
Speech/Language	Speech & Language Therapist/Pathologist
Chronic/Acute Health	Family Physician, Physician Specialist
Neurological/Nervous System	Neurologist or Neuropsychiatrist

## Your Documentation Must Contain the Following Information

- Diagnosis of disability must be clear and specific.
- Specific Learning Disabilities Assessment
- Specific recommendations must be based on interpreted tests. These recommendations might be found in your IEP Evaluation Report in your IEP or 504 Plan.
- Testing must have been conducted within the last 3 years.

Mail your documentation to: YVC Disability Support Services P.O. Box 22520 Yakima, WA 98907

You can also bring your documentation to the Disability Support Service office located in Room C-140 on the Yakima Campus.

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