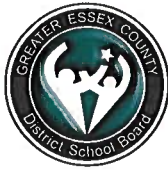




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## Announcement: Service Dog at Sandwich Secondary School

Starting on January 20, 2025, a service dog will accompany a student attending Sandwich Secondary School. Here are some considerations for staff, students, and visitors.

### Service dogs are:

- Highly trained for specific tasks
- Trained over many years to aid symptoms of a disability
- Owners must qualify for a service dog

### Trained Tasks of Service Dogs

You may see or hear behaviors that might seem unusual but are trained tasks. It's not appropriate to ask what these tasks mean, but some examples include:

- Vocal cues (rare, but sometimes one bark for an alert)
- Pawing
- Jumping on the handler's lap
- Nudging
- Opening doors

### Boundaries and Expectations

- Do not pet the dog
- Do not solicit or entice the dog to come to you
- Do not use the dog's name if you know it
- Keep a respectful distance and allow the dog to work
- Do not take pictures or invade the handler and dog's privacy
- Do not feed the dog
- Treat the dog like medical equipment, such as a wheelchair

All members of the school community are expected to follow these expectations while at school. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.