Services for Students with Disabilities

Southwestern Community College (SCC) provides equal access to education for students with documented disabilities and the College is committed to working with students to accommodate their educational development.

Definition of a Disability
The Federal definition of a disability includes a person who (1) has a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more major life activities (2) has a record of such impairment or (3) is regarded as having such impairment. The determination of whether an individual has a disability under ADA is not based upon the name or diagnosis of the impairment, but rather upon the impact of that impairment on the life/learning of the individual.

Disclosure
The decision of whether or not to disclose a disability in post-secondary education is at the discretion, and the responsibility, of the student. Disclosure is only required if accommodations are needed.

Services
If you are a student with a disability, and will be needing accommodations, you are encouraged to call 800.447.4091, ext.231 and make an appointment with a staff member in the Student Support Services Office. For optimal service, please call this number in a timely manner. You may contact the SSS office anytime during the semester; however, reasonable accommodations are designed AFTER disclosure is made.

Your Privacy
All conversations, documentation and records provided will be maintained in a confidential manner as outlined in the Family Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974.
SCC wishes to provide reasonable accommodations/modifications to minimize the extent to which a disability may negatively affect your SCC academic and social opportunities. Please give us a call. We look forward to working with you.

SCC Student Support Services
447 College Drive
Sylva, NC 28779
800.447.4091, ext. 231

More information Available at -
http://www.southwesterncc.edu/sss/disability/index.htm