

The Americans with Disabilities Act:



What Does It Mean?

1. **The ADA is a federal law that prohibits discrimination against people with disabilities.**
2. The **areas that are affected by the ADA** include employment, public services (schools), public accommodations, and services run by private entities and telecommunications.
3. **All people with physical and mental disabilities are protected by the law.**
4. How will this affect your daily life?
 - Barriers to buildings must be removed.
 - Employers must make reasonable accommodations.
 - Modifications must be made so everyone can enjoy public accommodations.
 - All new construction must be accessible.
 - Readily-accessible transportation for people with disabilities (Para-transit services) must be provided whenever possible.
 - If places like hotels offer transportation, they must offer equal transportation to people with disabilities.
 - Telephone companies must offer services to people using telecommunication devices for the deaf (TTY).
5. **Want more information?** Ask your school counselor or health care provider, or call the **Illinois ADA Project** at **(877) 232-3601** or visit online: <http://www.ada-il.org/>.

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