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What is CAC?

Community Advisory Councils (CACs) are established by California Education Code [EC 56190-56194] and are designed and intended to establish a local forum for active parent involvement in special education.

The goal of the CAC is to involve interested parents, students, teachers, education specialists/consultants and community members in advising the Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) and district school boards of the educational needs of students in special education and to help ensure that the full continuum of services is available to all eligible students within its boundaries.

CAC Membership

The CAC is made up of members representing the community. Members include parents, special and general education teachers, psychologists, consultants, students with disabilities, and various representatives from public and private agencies. These members are nominated and appointed by the school boards of participating districts within WACSEP.

If you wish to be considered for a board appointed, voting position in the CAC, please contact the Director of Special Education in your child's district of residence.

CAC Responsibilities

Advises the policy and administrative entity of the district, the SELPA or county office regarding the development, amendment, and review of the Local Plan. The entity shall review and consider comments from CAC.

Recommends annual priorities to be addressed by the plan.

Assists in parent education and in recruiting parents and other volunteers who may contribute to the implementation of the plan.

Encourages community involvement in the development and review of the Local Plan.

Supports activities on behalf of students with disabilities.

Assists in parent awareness of the importance of regular school attendance.

How can CAC help?

Attending CAC events gives parents a chance to meet other parents of children with special needs to obtain support and resources. Throughout the year, CAC will promote various events. For a list of upcoming and past events, please visit our website at www.wacsep.org.

The CAC holds periodic meetings during the year and discusses all aspects of special education. The meetings are open to the public.

2023-2024 CAC Meetings

All meetings are held at WACSEP
10:00 - 11:30 AM

September 14, 2023
November 09, 2023
January 11, 2024
March 14, 2024
May 09, 2024