

SPECIAL EDUCATION PLAN

SECTION 18: Special Education Advisory Committee

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

As outlined in [regulation 464/97](#) of the Education Act, Trillium Lakelands District School Board has a Special Education Advisory Committee which advises the Board on any matter affecting the establishment and development of special education programs and services in respect of exceptional pupils of the Board. Members are appointed to SEAC by Board motion in accordance with this regulation.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

A Special Education Advisory Committee of a Board may make recommendations to the Board in respect of any matter affecting the establishment, development and delivery of special education programs and services for exceptional pupils of the Board.

Before making a decision on a recommendation of the committee, the Board shall provide an opportunity for the committee to be heard by the Board and before any other committee of the Board to which the recommendation is referred.

The Board shall ensure that its Special Education Advisory Committee is provided with the opportunity to participate in the Board's annual review, under Regulation 306 of the Revised Regulations of Ontario 1990, of its special education plan.

The Board shall ensure that its Special Education Advisory Committee is provided with the opportunity to participate in the Board's annual budget process under Section 231 of the Act, as that process relates to special education.

The Board shall ensure that its Special Education Advisory Committee is provided with the opportunity to review the financial statements of the Board, prepared under Section 252 of the Act, as those statements relate to special education.

[Board Procedure ES 5560 Special Education Advisory Committee](#) gives further details about SEAC membership and responsibilities.

SEAC regularly participates in information, consultation, and discussion of the following areas:

- Regulation 464 (SEAC) review of requirements;
- Ontarians with Disabilities Act information;
- Annual review of Special Education Plan;
- Review of Special Education Services;
- Special Education budget input;
- Special education staffing and range of placements;
- Review of board financial statements;
- Association News;
- Special Presentations.



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MEETING TIMES, PLACES, FORMAT AND OPEN TO PUBLIC

Specific meeting times, dates, and locations will be determined by the committee in September in accordance with the Regulation governing SEAC. These meetings are open to the public and have been held the first Tuesday of the month, September through June either through video conferencing or at sites designated within the boundaries of the board.

For further information or to confirm meeting times and locations please contact the office of Superintendent of Special Education at TLDSB Education Centre

NOMINATION PROCESS

Individuals are nominated for membership on SEAC as outlined in Regulation 464/97. The Board will endeavour to contact local associations and advertise through the media to obtain nominations for the committee. Guidelines for final membership composition will include geographic and exceptionality representation.

MEMBERS CONTACT INFORMATION

The SEAC membership list is updated annually or as necessitated by changes. A current list of SEAC members and associations they represent is shown on the next page.

INPUT TO THE SEAC COMMITTEE

Parents and other members of the public can give input to the SEAC committee. Correspondence to the committee can be addressed to:

THE TRILLIUM LAKELANDS DSB SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

c/o the Lindsay Education Centre
300 County Rd. # 36, Box 420
Lindsay, Ontario K9V 4S4.

www.tldsb.ca

Telephone contacts to the committee can be directed to the Education Centre Executive Assistant to the Superintendent responsible for Special Education in the Lindsay office or in the Muskoka Education Centre.

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SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS LIST 2015-2018

NAME	PHONE (705 AREA)	E-MAIL	AFFILIATION
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Jennifer Hermer	344-1648	jennifer.hermer@flemingcollege.ca	Community Representative
ASSOCIATION MEMBERS			
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Janice Balfour (Chair)	324-2596	ldap.cklservices@cogeco.net	LDAO Peterborough
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Leslie Burgess	637-0359 or 205-4488	leslieburgess88@yahoo.com	Tourette Syndrome Foundation of Canada – Muskoka Chapter
Amber Gordon	644-3710	Amber.Gordon@clhuntsville.ca	Community Living Huntsville
Jamie Read	934-5484	jamesaread@hotmail.com	Autism Ontario Peterborough Chapter
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TRUSTEES			
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