

Wanted: More Representation on the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)

The Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) is a provincially mandated committee that advises the school board on all matters pertaining to special education.

Currently we are short of committee members. If you have an interest and passion to assist students with special needs this committee will enable you to provide input and have an impact on program delivery and services.

This committee is comprised of individuals who represent a number of associations: (the Autism Society, the Down Syndrome Association National Capital Region, Brain Injury Association, Ottawa Valley, Ottawa Carleton Association for Persons with Developmental Disabilities, Integration Action Group), community representatives, as well as three trustees. Our Superintendent of Student Services, the Principal of Student Services and the Vice-Principal of Student Services attend meetings to keep the committee apprised of provincial and board initiatives. Their role is to consult us and listen to our feedback and incorporate it whenever possible for program delivery.

There are a number of associations who currently do not have representatives on our committee. Some of these include: ABC (Association for Bright Children), LDAO (Learning Disability Association of Ontario), VOICE (for children with a hearing impairment), VIEWS (for children who are blind or have low vision). If you are not a member of a specific association but are interested in serving on the committee you can do so as a community representative.

Our committee meets **every third Wednesday of the month from September to June**. We meet in the boardroom of the Catholic Education Centre 570 West Hunt Club Road @ 7:00p.m.

If you would like to learn more about Special Education Advisory Committees in general feel welcome to access: <http://seac-learning.ca>

If you are interested in learning more specific information about our committee please do not hesitate to contact louisemcgoey@gmail.com for further information.