

The Sierra Sands Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) is looking for parent representatives for its Special Education Community Advisory Committee (CAC). Members of the CAC are appointed by and responsible to the Board of Education. The Executive Director of the SELPA submits the names of the nominees to the Superintendent for appointment by the Board of Education.

The term of appointment is for at least two years. There is no limit to the number of representatives on the committee although a maximum of fifteen members is appointed by the Board of Education as voting members on an annual basis. All other persons serve as advisory members. At least a majority of the appointed members are parents of individuals with exceptional needs.

CAC Responsibilities:

- 1. Advising the policy and administration entity of the district/SELPA regarding the development, amendment, and review of the local plan. The entity shall review and consider comments from the community advisory committee.
- 2. Recommending annual priorities to be addressed by the plan.
- 3. Reviewing the local plan within 30 days of submission of the plan to the Department of Education.
- 4. Assisting in parent education and in recruiting parents and other volunteers who may contribute to the implementation of the plan.
- 5. Encouraging community involvement in the development and review of the local plan.
- 6. Supporting legislation and other activities on behalf of individuals with exceptional needs.
- 7. Assisting in parent awareness of the importance of regular school attendance.

There will be an organizational meeting of the CAC on October 20th at 6:00 at the Sierra Vista Educational Center located at 1327A North Norma. The entrance to the building faces Reeves. At this meeting we can discuss future meetings and decide if there is a more convenient time/day to maximize parent participation.