

## Terms of Reference

### Introduction to the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)

Ontario Regulation 464/97 of the Education Act directs that each Board of Education establish a Special Education Advisory Committee, or SEAC. The Committee may make recommendations to the Board in respect of any matter affecting the establishment and development of special education programs and services for exceptional pupils of the Board.

SEAC membership includes three Elected Officials of the Board, up to twelve Members of Local Associations and one or more additional members from the community. The Superintendent of Special Education serves as the Secretary to SEAC and is supported by Program Principal Coordinators and Chiefs of the Board. SEAC meets monthly throughout the school year and its meetings are open to the public. SEAC meetings start at 7:00 p.m. at the Catholic Education Centre, 80 Sheppard Avenue East in Toronto. The members of SEAC have a strong interest and commitment in assisting other parents who have children with special needs or abilities.

## Resources

- [I Have Something to Say Project](#)
- [Ontario Ministry of Education Website on Special Education](#)
- [Ontario Special Needs Strategy website](#)