



Community  
Advisory  
Committee  
FAQs



The image features a central teal circle containing the text 'Community Advisory Committee FAQs'. Surrounding this circle are several decorative elements: a white circle with a puzzle piece icon, a yellow circle with a lightbulb icon, and a red circle with a thumbs up icon. There are also several smaller solid circles in orange, red, yellow, and white scattered around the central text. The background is a blurred image of hands writing on a document with a pencil.


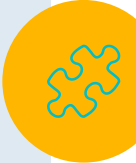


## What is the CAC?

The Community Advisory Committee (CAC) is a group of people from local school districts (SELPA) that work together to support the needs of families of students with disabilities.

## What is a SELPA?

**SELPA** stands for **S**pecial **E**ducation **L**ocal **P**lan **A**rea. It is a group of school districts that work together to provide special education and related services to our students with disabilities. Our North Orange County SELPA is made up of **F**ullerton School District, Fullerton Joint Union High School District, **L**a **H**abra City School District, **L**owell **J**oint School District, and **B**uena **P**ark School District.



## Why do we have a CAC?

- The CAC is a legal mandate. (California Education Code Section 56194)

The CAC allows for active community involvement in the development and review of the local plan, in parent training and education, and in bringing about positive changes in the education system at both the local and state levels.

## What is the role of the CAC?



The CAC serves the Superintendent of Schools and recommends **priorities** to be addressed in the SELPA for students with special needs.

### Some CAC responsibilities:


- Assist in parent education
- Encourage community involvement
- Support activities on behalf of students with exceptional needs
- Assist in parent awareness and the importance of regular school attendance



## Who is eligible to be a member of the CAC?


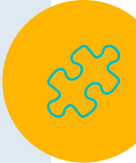
- Parents of individuals with exceptional needs who are enrolled in a public or private school
- Students and adults with disabilities
- Regular education parents
- Teachers
- Administrators
- Community members
- Public and private agencies

\*Applications are screened and submitted to the Board of Education based on the number and type of membership vacancies.



How does a parent  
become a member of  
the CAC?

Members are appointed by,  
and responsible to, the  
Board of Education.  
Representatives are  
appointed to serve a 2 year  
term with alternates serving  
a one year term.





**Who are our current  
CAC representatives  
for Fullerton?**

**Parent Representative:**

**Tiffany Hoskinson**

**District Representative:**

**John Leonard, FSD Special  
Education TOSA**

**Elected representative attend the CAC board meetings.**





How many meetings  
are CAC members  
expected to attend?

2019–2020 CAC Board  
Meeting Dates 1:00–3:00  
PM:

Sept. 19, 2019


Nov. 14, 2019

Jan. 9, 2020


Mar. 19, 2020

May 14, 2020

Location: North Orange  
County SELPA office







What parent trainings will the North Orange County CAC offer this year?

Sept. 19, 2019

9:30AM–11:00AM

IEP Notebook Make It Take It

Location:

Fullerton School District  
Board Room

1401 West Valencia Drive

Fullerton, CA 92833

This was a great event! Parents found the make it take it binder very useful!





What trainings will  
the CAC offer  
parents this year?

Nov. 14, 2019

9:30–11:30 AM

Transitions

Preschool to Elementary

Elementary to Middle  
School

Middle School to High  
School

Location:

Lowell Joint School District  
Board Room


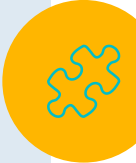
11019 Valley Home Avenue

Whittier, CA 90603

[English Flyer](#)

[Spanish Flyer](#)

RSVP to Laura Margulieux: [lmargulieux@ocde.us](mailto:lmargulieux@ocde.us)  
or 714–641–5400





What trainings will  
the CAC offer  
parents this year?

Jan. 9, 2020

9:30–11:30 AM

Legislative Information

Location:

Buena Park School District  
Professional Development  
Room

6885 Orangethorpe Ave.

Buena Park, CA 90620

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What trainings will  
the CAC offer  
parents this year?

March 19, 2020

9:30–11:30 AM

Parent Support Panel  
(Regional Center, TASK,  
Thompson Policy Institute,  
State Council of  
Developmental Disabilities)

Location:

La Habra City School District  
Board Room

500 North Walnut Street

La Habra, CA 90631

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**What trainings will  
the CAC offer  
parents this year?**

**May 14, 2020**

**9:30–11:30 AM**

**Annual Budget and Service  
Plan; Parenting  
Presentation**

**Location:**

**Fullerton Joint Union High  
School District Board Room  
1501 W. Bastanchury Road  
Fullerton, CA 92833**

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Is translation  
available for the  
CAC trainings?

Yes, translators are  
available upon request.  
Please request one week in  
advance:

[lmargurlieux@ocde.us](mailto:lmargurlieux@ocde.us)





What if I have more questions?

Contact one of our FSD  
Special Education TOSAs

[John\\_leonard@myfsd.org](mailto:John_leonard@myfsd.org)

OR

[Kelli\\_edwards@myfsd.org](mailto:Kelli_edwards@myfsd.org)

TOSA Parent Request form  
link:

<https://forms.gle/hWXLghUbnFdiA6n47>

