



**State Advisory Panel for Exceptional Children (SAPEC)**

**April 18, 2024**

**In person at the 300 Building, Frankfort, KY and virtually through Microsoft Teams**

**Purpose:** The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) requires that states establish advisory panels to advise and assist the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) on special education and related services for children with disabilities. The SAPEC members represent various agencies, individuals with disabilities, parents of children with disabilities, service providers and administrators.

[34 CFR §300.169](#)

Duties.)

The advisory panel must—

- (a) Advise the SEA of unmet needs within the State in the education of children with disabilities;
- (b) Comment publicly on any rules or regulations proposed by the State regarding the education of children with disabilities;
- (c) Advise the SEA in developing evaluations and reporting on data to the Secretary under section 618 of the Act;
- (d) Advise the SEA in developing corrective action plans to address findings identified in Federal monitoring reports under Part B of the Act; and
- (e) Advise the SEA in developing and implementing policies relating to the coordination of services for children with disabilities.

**Agenda**

**Thursday, April 18, 2024**

**9:00 am EST**

**I. Welcome**

Dr. Tonika East, State Advisory Panel for Exceptional Children (SAPEC) Chair

**II. Purpose and Duties**

Dr. Tonika East, SAPEC Chair

**III. Review Meeting Norms**

Misty Green

Office of Special Education and Early Learning

**IV. Membership Update and Roll Call of Members**

Dr. Tonika East, SAPEC Chair

**V. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Dr. Tonika East, SAPEC Chair

**VI. Update**

Robin Kinney, Interim Commissioner of Education

**VII. Differentiated Monitoring and Support (DMS) 2.0 Update**

Gretta Hylton, Associate Commissioner

Office of Special Education and Early Learning

**VIII. Public Comment**

Dr. Tonika East, SAPEC Chair

**IX. Legislative Update**

Melody Cooper, Policy Advisor

Office of Special Education and Early Learning

**XI. Due Process Update**

Carol Ann Morrison, Director

Division of Monitoring and Results

Office of Special Education and Early Learning

**Noon**

**Lunch**

**1:00 pm**

**XII. Guidance Update**

Veronica Sullivan, Director

Division of IDEA Implementation and Preschool

Office of Special Education and Early Learning

**XIII. Committee Meetings**

- a. Transition
- b. Parent Involvement
- c. Supervision and Legislative
- d. Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE)
- e. Communication/Stakeholder Engagement
- f. Ad Hoc

**XIV. Final Remarks and Exit Slip**

Dr. Tonika East, SAPEC Chair

**XV. Adjournment**

Dr. Tonika East, SAPEC Chair

**Next Meeting: July 18, 2024**