



State Advisory Panel for Exceptional Children (SAPEC)
October 17, 2024, 9:00 a.m. ET
Held virtually via 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.
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AGENDA

I. Welcome

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

II. Review Meeting Norms and Duties

Misty Green, Systems Consultant IT
Office of Special Education and Early Learning

III. Roll Call of Members

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IV. Membership Update

Melody Cooper, Policy Advisor
Office of Special Education and Early Learning
Kentucky Department of Education

V. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes

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VI. Public Comment

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VII. OSEEL Update

Differentiated Monitoring System
Kentucky's Annual Determination
Personnel Updates
Gretta Hylton, Associate Commissioner
Office of Special Education and Early Learning
Kentucky Department of Education

VIII. Transition Education Unit

Jason Wheatley, Ed.D. Program Administrator
Office of Special Education and Early Learning
Kentucky Department of Education

Allison Johnson, Ed.D. Assistant Program Administrator
Office of Special Education and Early Learning
Kentucky Department of Education

IX. Child Find

Veronica Sullivan, Director
Division of IDEA Implementation and Preschool
Office of Special Education and Early Learning
Kentucky Department of Education

X. Coordinated Early Intervening Services (CEIS)/Comprehensive Coordinated Early Intervening Services (CCEIS) Presentation

Jarrod Slone, IDEA Program and Fiscal Compliance Specialist
Office of Special Education and Early Learning
Kentucky Department of Education

XI. Due Process Update

Carol Ann Morrison, Director
Division of IDEA Monitoring and Results
Office of Special Education and Early Learning
Kentucky Department of Education

XII. Lunch – (12:00 PM – 1:00 PM ET)

XIII. Committee Meetings (Up to 20 minutes for each committee meeting)

- Transition
- Parent Involvement
- Supervision and Legislative
- FAPE
- Communication
- Stakeholder Engagement/Ad Hoc

XIV. CEC Conference Update

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- Marketing Materials
- Panelists
- Tabling

XV. 2025 Meeting Schedule

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XVI. Final Remarks and Exit Slip Reminder

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XVII. Adjournment

Future Meeting

To Be Determined