

What is the Community Advisory Committee?

- The Community Advisory Committee or CAC, is an appointed advisory group that provides input to the Antelope Valley Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) and member school districts regarding community opinions, concerns, and suggestions pertaining to special education and related services.



Who may attend the CAC meetings?

- The scheduled, public meetings are open to anyone who is interested and provides a common ground for parents and school staff to learn about special education, raise questions, express concerns, and share common interests.
- You may apply to be a member representing your child's school district.

The CAC is composed of people such as...

- parents of students with disabilities (the majority)
- parents of students in public or private schools
- teachers (general or special education)
- other school staff
- agency staff serving people with disabilities
- persons concerned about the needs of students with disabilities



What happens during the meetings?

At the start of each school year, six meetings are scheduled for the CAC. Meetings last for 1.5 hours on different days of the week and times of the day to accommodate for the various obligations of our committee members. Each meeting will include a presentation relating to a topic in special education, in addition to any official matters that need to be addressed by the Committee. There will also be an opportunity for public comments and input at the end of each meeting.

Translators are available by request, please contact the SELPA office if you require a translator at the meeting.

To learn about our upcoming scheduled CAC meetings, please visit our website
www.avspeciald.com

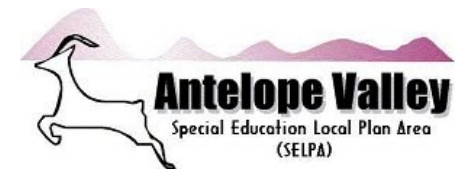
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Community Advisory Committee for Special Education



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The Antelope Valley Community Advisory Committee for Special Education is looking to expand its current membership and effectiveness in support of individuals with disabilities. Our SELPA is looking to develop partnerships with parents and other community members to provide effective, high quality programs for their students.



Community Advisory Committee (CAC) is a school-associated group, comprised of parents, educators and other interested community members. The functions of the Antelope Valley CAC are:

- ◇ to provide training to parents and families of students with disabilities
- ◇ encourage parent and community involvement in the development and review of the local plan and disability awareness
- ◇ support activities on behalf of individuals with exceptional needs
- ◇ assist in parent awareness in the importance of regular school attendance



Why join CAC?

The CAC can provide you with the knowledge and skills necessary to become more comfortable as a partner in the education process for your child. The CAC serves as a collaborative partnership to help ensure the best programs for our students.

Through CAC Parents Can.....

- Collaborate and network with parents
- Receive information related to your child's disability
- Receive training through workshops
- Engage in effective advocacy for children with specials needs
- Learn about school and community resources related to special education
- Discuss ideas and concerns with people who will listen, understand, and respond

"To the world you may be one person, but to one person you may be the world." - Heather Cortez

Interested in joining the Community Advisory Committee (CAC)?



Contact the Director of Special Education in your child's district or the SELPA office for more information regarding committee membership. Members of the council are appointed by each district and approved by the school board.

Member School Districts

Acton-Agua Dulce Unified SD	269.5999
AV Union High School District	729.2321
Eastside Union School District	952.1225
Gorman School District	248.6441
Hughes Eliz.Lakes Union SD	724.1231
Keppel Union School District	944.2372
Lancaster School District	948.4661
Palmdale School District	456.1452
Westside Union School District	722.0716
Wilsona School District	264.1111
AV SELPA Office	274.4136

