
SEAC & EPSK: Two Organizations Dedicated to Our Special Needs Children & Their Families

This pamphlet provides you an introduction to two different organizations where you can connect, contribute, seek advice and grow in your journey as a parent/guardian of a child with special needs.

EPSK is a parent-based organization dedicated to supporting each other in our individual journeys – sharing challenges, joys, resources, support, experiences and referrals.

As a state requirement for our school district, the **SEAC** is a school-based organization comprised of parents, educators and administrators working together on the development of programs and services to meet the special educational needs of children and families.

You will learn more about each organization as you read through this pamphlet. You will be provided with information on how to connect with each organization, and we invite you to do so.

It's dedicated parents like you who make Eden Prairie School District a leader in supporting the special educational needs of our children and families.



Benefits of Getting Involved

I may be able to help other families and children with disabilities in my school district.

I can share what I've learned since my child began his/her education.

I can support the school professionals in my district.

I will be a good role model for my child.

I feel good when I make a contribution to this community.

I will learn information and skills that may help me work more effectively with my school district.

I will meet others with similar goals, both parents and school professionals.

I will build professional relationships with others in my district.

I will become more knowledgeable about special education.

By sharing my unique perspective and insights as a parent, I may help the school district work more effectively with families and improve outcomes for children.

Eden Prairie Special Kids



Special Education Advisory Council

SEAC

What is a SEAC?

Special Education Advisory Council

*The **SEAC** is a group comprised of parents, educators and administration that provides input on special education issues to its local school district.*

It's purpose is to advise their school district on the development of programs and services to meet the special educational needs of children and families. Driving greater outcomes.

Parents can help districts be more effective by sharing families' unique perspectives.

It's purpose is to advise and to advocate, not to decide policy.

Minnesota law requires each school district or cooperative to have a SEAC, but does not specify how the groups should be organized or what duties they should perform.



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Eden Prairie MN 55344

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EPSK Contact Info:

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/epskmn>

Select "Join" and the group admin will verify & approve requests.

Yahoo Group

<https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/epspcialkids/info>

Select "Join" and the group admin will verify & approve requests.

What is EPSK?

Eden Prairie Special Kids

EP Special Kids is a parent-run group where parents of children in special education (IEP or 504) come together online and in person for mutual friendship, networking, problem-solving, and support.

Founded in 2003, the group includes families in the Eden Prairie school district with children age birth to 21 who have a wide variety of special needs including autism spectrum disorders, Down Syndrome, mental health issues, ADHD, learning disabilities, physical and cognitive impairments, medical issues, and more.

We connect online through private, members-only Yahoo & Facebook groups as well as coffees, dinners out, and family events. All Eden Prairie parents of special needs children are invited! Join us if you're looking to connect with other parents to share individual experiences, joys, challenges, and resources and ideas.