

ST. JAMES PARISH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

St. James Special Education Advisory Council Agenda
Wednesday, January 7, 2026
5:00 P.M.

The St. James Special Education Advisory Council (St. James SEAC) is an opportunity for parents, district staff, and community stakeholders to provide advice and feedback regarding special education policies, procedures, and resources. The members of St. James SEAC shall engage in outreach activities in the community to increase the level of knowledge, support, and collaboration in regard to special education. This year's council will consist of 8 members. Each member will be appointed for a one-year term and will act as an advisory council to the superintendent and/or the school board. The St. James SEAC will meet three times per school year.

Please NOTE that SEAC meetings are conducted similar to board meetings. Council members discuss agenda items and make recommendations. Robert's Rules of Order are followed. All SEAC meetings are open to the public. Members of the public cannot request to be on an agenda. However, there will be an opportunity for public comments on the agenda items before the adjournment of each meeting. Attendees can make public comments on agenda items by making a request at the start of the meeting. Public comments will be limited to no longer than 3 minutes.

SEAC MEMBERS (2025-2026):

1. Senecca Boudreaux - Director of Special Education (Council Chairperson)
2. Lynesia Raymond – Principal
3. Lashana Jackson – Parent
4. Ashley Harrell - Parent
5. Jennifer Schrichten - Parent
6. Tina Farah - Parent
7. Kyrilyn Shepherd – High School Student
8. Alisa Dunklin – Representative from St. James ARC (outside agency servicing students with disabilities)

- Call to Order
- Prayer
- Pledge
- Roll Call
- Welcome

1. Public comment procedures
2. SEAC Purpose & Process

OLD Business -

None

NEW Business –

3. District Agenda Items

- a. A review of December 2025 Special Education Quarterly Newsletter
- b. A review of SJPPS Crisis Intervention Guidelines and Seclusion and Restraint Techniques Specific to Students with Medical Conditions preventing Seclusion/Restraints
- c. SJPPS Risk Assessment – Jarvis Shanklin, Director of Child Welfare & Attendance

4. Council Agenda Items

- a. Presentation – Alanna Benoit, LPC, Clinical Coordinator - Magnolia Family Services, LLC
- b. Council Dialogue – Emotional/behavioral disorders impact on education and school safety

5. Public Comments

6. Closing Remarks – (Council Members)

7. Meeting Adjourned - Chair