



Ascension Special Education Advisory Council

August 19, 2026 at 12:00 p.m.

AGENDA

IN-PERSON Meeting:

ITTC

14101 Roddy Rd.

Gonzales, LA 70737

VIRTUAL Option:

<https://apsb.zoom.us/j/88536592324?pwd=b7gMYU76EsX2dlES02RSZYiV2GaSUi.1&jst=3>

Public participation: The meeting is open to the public. Public comment will be permitted before action on each agenda item for which a vote will be taken, subject to reasonable council rules. A person is not required to register before the meeting to comment.

Council purpose: Ascension SEAC advises and provides feedback regarding special education policies, procedures, and resources and engages in community outreach to increase knowledge, support, and collaboration regarding special education. Membership and operations are governed by La. R.S. 17:1944.1, Louisiana Open Meetings Law, council rules, and applicable district procedures.

Agenda notice: Each action item is separately identified below. Before action is taken, the presiding officer or designee will read the agenda-item description aloud. Votes will be taken by voice and recorded in the minutes. Matters not listed on this agenda may be considered only as permitted by Louisiana law.

APS SEAC Members for 2026-27:

- Ashleigh Seneca (SPL)
- Sanora Cole (GAP)
- Sadie Wilks (BRP)
- Sandy Hanna (SAP)
- Marlene Domingue (Outside Agency)
- Kimberly Ammons (Educator)
- Jade Brignac (DTH)
- Amber Bergeron (DUP)
- Edda Dupaquier (PVHS)
- Dr. Cynthia Buggage
- Dr. Seiji Bentley

Chair: Dr. Jennifer Vicknair, Director of Special Education

Opening Procedures

A. Call to Order and Establishment of Quorum

B. Roll Call; Introduction of New Members and Guests

C. Adoption of the August 19, 2026 Agenda

Public Comment: Opportunity for public comment will be provided before any vote on this item.

Action: Motion and vote to adopt the agenda.

II. Orientation and Council Process

A. SEAC Purpose, Role, and Responsibilities

Discussion: Review the council's advisory and outreach functions and the 2026–2027 SEAC Member Handbook.

Action: No Action Needed.

B. Meeting Procedures and Robert's Rules of Order

Discussion: Review parliamentary procedure, open-meeting expectations, public-comment procedures, and member conduct.

Action: No Action Needed.

III. Unfinished Business

A. Approval of April 30, 2026 and June 25, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Discussion: Review and consider approval of the draft minutes from both meetings.

Public Comment: Opportunity for public comment will be provided before any vote on this item.

Action: Motion and vote to approve the minutes as presented or as corrected.

B. 2025–2026 SEAC Recommendations to the Superintendent

Discussion: Review, discuss, revise as needed, and consider final recommendations (**Special Education Parent Calendar**) arising from the 2025–2026 SEAC meetings.

Public Comment: Opportunity for public comment will be provided before any vote on this item.

Action: Motion and vote on the recommendations to be submitted to the Superintendent.

C. SEAC Subcommittees

Discussion: Discuss proposed subcommittee purposes, scope, membership, reporting expectations, and compliance with Louisiana Open Meetings Law.

Public Comment: Opportunity for public comment will be provided before any vote on this item.

Action: The council may establish one or more subcommittees and define their assignments. Possible motion and vote needed.

IV. New Business

A. Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Provider Clearance Process

Discussion: Discuss the current start-of-school clearance process for outside ABA providers serving students on campus; identify procedural barriers; and explore options to improve timeliness while maintaining applicable safety, confidentiality, and district requirements.

Public Comment: Opportunity for public comment will be provided before any vote on this item.

Action: The council may adopt a recommendation for district review or request specified follow-up information. Possible motion and vote needed.

B. Annual Special Education Advisory Council Report

Discussion: Receive and discuss the annual SEAC report and related information.

Action: No Action Needed.

C. 2026–2027 SEAC Meeting Schedule

Discussion: Consider the proposed dates and times listed below.

Public Comment: Opportunity for public comment will be provided before any vote on this item.

Action: Motion and vote to approve the 2026–2027 meeting schedule.

Date	Time
August 19, 2026	12:00 p.m.
October 21, 2026	5:00 p.m.
December 16, 2026	12:00 p.m.
February 17, 2027	5:00 p.m.
April 21, 2027	12:00 p.m.
June 23, 2027	5:00 p.m.

E. Parent Co-Chair: Role and Annual Election Process

Discussion: Review the role and responsibilities; receive nominations at this meeting; conduct the election at the October 21, 2026 meeting; record each member’s voice vote in the minutes; and announce the result. The elected Parent Co-Chair will serve for one year or until a successor is elected.

Action: Nominations may be received. No election or vote is scheduled for this meeting.

V. Outreach, Future Agenda Topics, and Action Summary

A. Community Outreach and Future Agenda Topics

Discussion: Identify possible outreach activities and future topics for referral to the Chair for placement on a subsequent agenda.

Action: Discussion only; no final action on a topic not separately listed on this agenda.

B. Review of Assignments and Follow-Up

Discussion: Summarize assignments, responsible persons, and expected follow-up dates resulting

from actions taken during the meeting.

Action: No separate vote scheduled unless tied to an action item listed above.

VI. Adjournment

A. Adjournment

Action: The Chair may declare the meeting adjourned when business is complete. If a motion and vote to adjourn are used, public comment will be offered before the vote.