



SPECIAL EDUCATION CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SECAC)



The Carroll County Special Education Citizens' Advisory Committee (SECAC) is seeking parents and caregivers from every CCPS school to serve as representatives and help improve outcomes for students with disabilities across Carroll County Public Schools.

Why Join SECAC?

- ✓ Meet other families
- ✓ Learn about special education resources
- ✓ Share your experiences and ideas
- ✓ Help improve services for students with disabilities
- ✓ Make a difference in your school community

What Does a Parent Representative Do?

- ✓ Share the perspectives of families within your school community
- ✓ Attend SECAC meetings throughout the school year
- ✓ Collaborate with families, educators, and community partners
- ✓ Help identify strengths and opportunities to improve special education services
- ✓ Advise CCPS leadership on issues affecting students with disabilities

Meeting Schedule

 September 17, 2026 | 6:00–7:30 p.m.
Back-to-School Social, Carroll Springs School

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Development of Action Items related to SECAC priorities, Carroll County Public Safety Training Center

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Culture of Competency & Belonging, Carroll County Public Safety Training Center

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 May 5, 2027 | 6:00–7:30 p.m.
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- ✓ Collaborate with colleagues, families, and community partners
- ✓ Stay informed about district initiatives, priorities, and special education topics.
- ✓ Share your expertise and help shape recommendations that influence special education services
- ✓ Strengthen partnerships between schools, families, and the Office of Special Education.
- ✓ Grow as a leader and advocate for students with disabilities.

Staff representatives are compensated for meetings held outside of the duty day. For meetings held during the duty day, a substitute will be provided.

What Does a Staff Representative Do?

- ✓ Attend SECAC meetings throughout the school year.
- ✓ Actively participate in discussions and collaborate with families, educators, and community partners.
- ✓ Represent the perspectives of your school and professional role.
- ✓ Share information and updates from SECAC during Team Leader meetings and other staff meetings.
- ✓ Gather feedback, questions, and concerns from school-based teams to bring to SECAC discussions.
- ✓ Help strengthen communication between schools, families, and the Department of Special Education.

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- ✓ Build meaningful partnerships with Carroll County Public Schools and local families.
- ✓ Learn firsthand about the needs and priorities of students with disabilities and their families.
- ✓ Share information about the services and resources your organization provides.
- ✓ Collaborate with educators, families, and community agencies to improve supports for students.
- ✓ Help strengthen connections between schools and community resources.

What Does a Community Representative Do?

- ✓ Attend SECAC meetings throughout the school year.
- ✓ Share information about your organization's programs, services, and resources that support students with disabilities and their families.
- ✓ Listen to families' experiences and perspectives to better understand community needs.
- ✓ Collaborate with parents, educators, and other community partners to identify opportunities for improvement.
- ✓ Help connect families with valuable community resources and services.
- ✓ Support a vision of improving outcomes for students with disabilities throughout Carroll County.

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