



STATE ADVISORY PANEL FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN (SAPEC)

JANUARY 18, 2024

In person at the 300 Building, Frankfort, KY, and virtually through Microsoft Teams

Purpose: The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) requires that states establish advisory panels to advise and assist the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) on special education and related services for children with disabilities. The SAPEC members represent various agencies, individuals with disabilities, parents of children with disabilities, service providers, and administrators.

[34 CFR §300.169](#)

Duties.

The advisory panel must—

- (a) Advise the SEA of unmet needs within the State in the education of children with disabilities;
- (b) Comment publicly on any rules or regulations proposed by the State regarding the education of children with disabilities;
- (c) Advise the SEA in developing evaluations and reporting on data to the Secretary under section 618 of the Act;
- (d) Advise the SEA in developing corrective action plans to address findings identified in Federal monitoring reports under Part B of the Act; and
- (e) Advise the SEA in developing and implementing policies relating to the coordination of services for children with disabilities.

AGENDA

Thursday, January 18, 2024

9:00 am EST

I. Welcome

Dr. Tonika East, State Advisory Panel for Exceptional Children (SAPEC) Chair

II. Review Meeting Norms and Duties

Misty Green, Office of Special Education and Early Learning (OSEEL)

III. Roll Call of Members

Dr. Tonika East, SAPEC Chair

IV. Membership Update

Melody Cooper, Policy Advisor
Office of Special Education and Early Learning

V. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes

Dr. Tonika East, SAPEC Chair

VI. Public Comment

Dr. Tonika East, SAPEC Chair

VII. Election of Officer

Vice Chair

VIII. Election of Officer

Secretary

IX. Legislative Update

Melody Cooper, Policy Advisor

X. Due Process Update

Carol Ann Morrison, Director
Division of IDEA Monitoring and Results

Noon

Lunch

1:00 pm EST

XI. Think, Pair and Share

XII. Committee Meetings (10 minutes for each committee meeting)

- a. Transition
- b. Parent Involvement
- c. Supervision and Legislative
- d. FAPE (Free Appropriate Public Education)
- e. Communication
- f. Stakeholder Engagement
- g. Ad Hoc

XIII. Final Remarks and Exit Slip Reminder

Dr. Tonika East, SAPEC Chair

XIV. Adjournment

Dr. Tonika East, SAPEC Chair

Next Meeting: Thursday, April 18, 2024