



Valuable Links:

SCDSB SEAC:

https://www.scdsb.on.ca/elementary/special_education

- SEAC Terms of Reference
- SEAC Manual
- SEAC Membership List
- SEAC Meeting Schedule
- SEAC Meeting Video Recording
- SEAC Meeting Package
- SEAC Statement of Beliefs

SCDSB Special Education:

https://www.scdsb.on.ca/elementary/special_education

- Special Education Plan
- Parent's Guide to Special Education
- Planning Transitions

Coalition - Services in Simcoe County for Children and Youth 7-18:

<http://www.communityconnection.ca/simcoe-county.news.69.html>

MOE - Special Education:

<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/parents/speced.html>

MOE - Introduction SEAC:

<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/general/elemsec/speced/seac/>

Education Act - Regulations:

464/97-Special Education Advisory Committees

http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/regis/english/elaws_regs_970464_e.htm

181/98-Identification and Placement of Exceptional Pupils

http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/regis/english/elaws_regs_980181_e.htm



SEAC Meetings:

All SEAC meetings are open to the public and are video recorded.

You are invited to attend these meetings to gain a better understanding of issues and opportunities relating to students with special education needs.

SEAC holds regular monthly meetings from September to June at the Education Centre in Midhurst.

SEAC meeting information can be found on our website. See "Valuable links".



For more information about Special Education, contact:

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If you are a local association or community agency and would like to be represented on SEAC, please contact Chris Samis.

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Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)



What is the Special Education Advisory Committee?

Every district school board is mandated by Ontario's *Education Act* to establish a Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC). The committee is appointed by the Board and made up of representatives of local associations, community agencies and trustees.

What is the role of SEAC?

SEAC plays a vital role in ensuring that exceptional pupils receive appropriate educational services and programs. SEAC reviews and makes recommendations to the Board on:

- The establishment, development and delivery of special education programs and services;
- The annual Special Education Plan; and,
- The Special Education budget.

SEAC member representation:

Autism Ontario - Simcoe County Chapter

Phone: (705)252-7431

www.autismontario.com/simcoe

Candlelighters Simcoe Parents of Children with Cancer

Phone: (705) 737-4296

www.candlelighterssimcoe.ca

Catulpa Community Support Services

Phone: (705)733-3227

www.catulpa.on.ca

Children's Treatment Network of Simcoe York

Phone: (877)719-4795

www.ctn-simcoeyork.ca

CLH Developmental Support Services

Phone: (705)526-4253

www.clhmidland.on.ca

Down Syndrome Association of Simcoe County

Phone: (705)817-1019

www.dsasc.ca

FASworld Canada - FASworld Barrie

Phone: (705)721-1454 (Rose-Ann Marchitto)

www.fasworld.com

Kinark Child and Family Services

Phone: (705)726-8861

www.kinark.on.ca

Learning Disabilities Association of Ontario

Phone: (416)929-4311

<http://www.ldao.ca/>

Mackenzie Health

Phone: (705)728-9143

www.mackenziehealth.ca

Couchiching Family Health Team

Phone: (705)329-3649

www.cfht.ca

Empower Simcoe

Phone: (705)726-9082 (Barrie)

Phone: (705)327-5391 (Orillia)

www.empowersimcoe.ca

SCDSB SEAC Statement of Beliefs

Based on our belief in respect, leadership, integrity, collaboration, compassion, student driven services and the right of all students to be included, we advocate that:

- All students have equitable opportunities to learn and participate in inclusive school communities;
- Student's unique learning styles are recognized and planned for;
- Student's strengths and special education needs are identified and responded to early; and,
- Education services are centered on the strengths and needs of the students.

See "Valuable Links" for the link to the full Statement of Beliefs

