

Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)

Opportunity for Association Membership



The DDSB Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) is comprised of individuals from across Durham Region committed to the learning and well-being of students. SEAC advises the District on programming and services for students with special education strengths and needs. SEAC also supports parents/guardians with information about community connections.

SEAC is able to have up to 12 association members and is looking to expand. We are seeking a diversity of experience within SEAC to provide meaningful feedback to the District.

The current voting members of the Committee are comprised of association representatives, two members at large and representatives from the Board of Trustees.

Current Associations:

- Association for Bright Children
- Autism Ontario – Durham Chapter
- Durham Down Syndrome Association of Durham Region
- Learning Disabilities Association of Durham Region
- Ontario Parents of Visually Impaired Children
- Sawubona Africentric Circle of Support

Requirements to be an Association Member:

As per Regulation 464/97 of the Ontario Education Act:

Associations must have provincial context and operate locally within Durham Region supporting families.

Nominated representatives, and an alternate member, for the Association on SEAC, must:

- Be a member of the association
- Be over 18 years old
- Reside in Durham Region and be a public school elector (eligible to vote for school board Trustees)
- Not be an employee of the Durham District School Board.

As per the DDSB SEAC by-laws, associations must be no fee for services. For profit or fee-based organizations are not eligible to have membership.

SEAC meets no less than ten times per school year. Members must attend meetings for quorum purposes.

If your association would like to nominate a local representative and alternate to the DDSB SEAC, please complete the [SEAC Association/Member Nomination form\(s\)](#) and return it to the DDSB, attention Lisa Wry, Administrative Assistant for Inclusive Student Services, or lisa.wry@ddsb.ca

SEAC membership is subject to the approval of the DDSB Board of Trustees.

For further information please contact:

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Andrea McAuley, Superintendent of Equitable Education 905-666-6371



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The DDSB is committed to providing inclusive, accessible and barrier-free learning and working environments in compliance with the Human Rights Code and the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act. Should you require accommodation based on a Human Rights Code ground(s) to submit your application (or to participate in SEAC meetings if you are selected to be a SEAC Association member), please contact Lisa Wry lisa.wry@ddsb.ca