## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

### What can the CAC do for me?

- Provide parent training information
- Network with other concerned parents
- Access to Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) staff and resources
- Support educational activities
- Child-centered information

### How can I become part of the CAC meetings?

- Attend monthly meetings
- Volunteer for committee work
- Share information and talents
- Submit nomination form for professional, parent, student and program recognition

### Can the CAC benefit my child?

The more you know, the more empowered and the more effective participant in your child's IEP you become.

#### Who can attend?

Everybody! All meetings are open to the public.

### Do my ideas count?

Yes! The CAC is member-driven. Members are encouraged to help build the focus of the group by collaborative, on-going work.

### When does the CAC usually meet?

Usually over lunchtime on the third Wednesday of the month. For more information about our meeting calendar, visit the SELPA website or contact the SELPA office.

### **CAC Responsibilities**

The CAC advises the Shasta SELPA's Director and the SELPA Program Advisory Council on the planning and operation of special education. Such responsibilities include:

- Reviewing the Special Education Local Plan and providing ongoing input on special education services, accountability, and outcomes
- 2. Recommending annual priorities to be addressed by the Local Plan
- 3. Advocating, supporting, and assisting in parent education
- 4. Assisting in recruiting parents and other volunteers who may contribute to the implementation of the Local Plan
- 5. Encouraging community involvement in the development and review of the Local Plan;
- 6. Providing active support of students with disabilities
- 7. Providing reviews and input in the development of SELPA policies, procedures, handbooks and forms

# Shasta County students by disability

Autism Spectrum Disorder (AUT) – 470

Deafness (DEAF) – 7

Emotional Disturbance (ED) – 214

Hearing Impairment (HH) - 36

Intellectual Disabilities (ID) – 238

Multiple Disabilities (MD) – 38

Other Health Impaired (OHI) - 395

Orthopedic Impairment (OI) – 45

Specific Learning Disability (SLD) – 1,204

Speech or Language Impairment (SLI) – 897

Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) – 7

Visual Impairment (VI) - 22

### You are not alone!

Not all disabilities are visible.

Many are invisible.

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### MEETING DATES:

September 15, 2021
October 20, 2021
November 10, 2021
December – NO MEETING
January – NO MEETING
February 9, 2022
March 16, 2022
April 20, 2022
May 18, 2022

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

June 15, 2022

### \*LUNCH PROVIDED\*

For meeting location information, please contact the SELPA office at (530) 225-0100, or visit the CAC web page at <a href="https://www.shastacoe.org/programs-services/selpa/community-advisory-committee-cas">https://www.shastacoe.org/programs-services/selpa/community-advisory-committee-cas</a>



### SHASTA COUNTY SELPA

(Special Education Local Plan Area)

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## Parents Educating Parents