



## Community Advisory Committee (CAC) 2020-21 Planning Meeting

**Monday October 26, 2020 from 6:00pm-7:15pm**

**Join Meeting Via Zoom:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84817860126>

To call in: 1 (669) 900 6833; Meeting ID: 848 1786 0126

\*Translation services are available as needed: To arrange for translation, send an email by October 21 to [mkakihara@ausdk12.org](mailto:mkakihara@ausdk12.org) and specify what language you require

**\* What IS a “CAC” you ask? Good question!**

**The Community Advisory Committee (CAC) is a parent-driven group formed to advise the SELPA on issues which affect children with special needs.**

The Special Education process can feel overwhelming and isolating. Many parents often feel voiceless when seeking better outcomes for their children. Through the education, advocacy, and community provided by joining the CAC, parents find their voices and become more informed and empowered. We ask the tough questions you may not feel comfortable asking on your own and speak on behalf of families and students with IEPs. As a group, we prioritize and champion effective Special Education programs and services within our SELPA to improve outcomes at the District-level.

Family members, teachers, administrators, community representatives, and others are welcome to attend.

This meeting will focus on:

- Clarifying voting rights and temporary officers
- Identify Meeting dates for 2020-21
- Developing Mission Statement for CAC and Goals for 2020-21

“I like meeting other parents of kids with special needs, and getting to know teachers, administrators & other specialists. It’s a way for parents to connect and to have a voice in policies that affect our children.”

“Even if my child does not have an IEP, she has needs. I learn techniques from the high-quality presentations that I can apply with my child.”

