

## You are not alone



60% of students in Special Education are identified *only after starting school*



Nearly 13% of students in PAUSD receive services and support via an Individual Education Plan (IEP) or 504 Plan



Students have a right to appropriate education and needed services. Parents have rights to be involved in education decisions for their children.



## Connect with other parents

Join our Google Group  
[www.tinyurl.com/pased](http://www.tinyurl.com/pased)



Contact us  
[paloaltocac@gmail.com](mailto:paloaltocac@gmail.com)



## Get more info

Events, monthly meetings, and local resources on our website  
[www.cacpaloalto.org](http://www.cacpaloalto.org)

### Community Advisory Committee for Special Education in Palo Alto

*a SELPA 1 CAC sub-committee  
Working together with Palo Alto Council of PTAs*

*Helping parents in Palo Alto since 1988*



The Palo Alto CAC is a volunteer group that supports families of students with special needs.

We build community and raise awareness through events and outreach. We advise district leadership on special education and inclusion issues.



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ADHD 504Plan Dyslexia MentalHealth  
IEP LearningDifferences SpecialNeeds Autism Blindness SensoryProcessing TwiceExceptional ADHD  
MultipleDisability 504Plan OtherChallenges Autism SocialEmotional SpeechImpairment PhysicalDisability  
BehaviorIssues DevelopmentalDelay IEP

# What We Do

## COMMUNITY Building



- Family Fun Day
- Inclusive Schools Week
- Parent Support Groups
- Sweetheart Awards
- Bus Driver Appreciation

## EDUCATION

for Parents & Students



- IEP/504 Workshops
- Self Advocacy Support
- Abilities Awareness Programs
- Extra-curricular Opportunities
- Transition Plan Information

## ADVISORY

to District Leadership

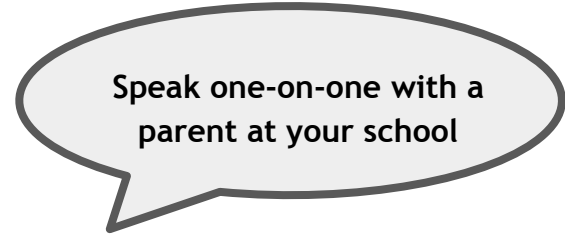


- Input on Academic Policy
- Inclusive Practices & Programs
- Social Emotional Learning
- Current Legislation
- Board Policy

# CAC Leadership 2021-2022

<b>Co-chair</b> .....	Alison Guan
<b>Co-chair</b> .....	Christine Baker
<b>Treasurer</b> .....	Yael Uziyel Naveh
<b>Secretary</b> .....	Mary Vincent
<b>Parliamentarian</b> .....	Michelle Higgins
<b>Parent Education</b> .....	Rika Yamamoto
.....	Yuri Chang
<b>District Advisory</b> .....	Kimberly Eng Lee
<b>Special Ed &amp; Policy Advisor</b> .....	Tara Ford
<b>Communications</b> .....	Aslihan Demirkaya
.....	Supriya Suresh
<b>SELPA1 CAC Reps</b> .....	Kimberly Eng Lee
.....	Rika Yamamoto
<b>PTA Council Liaison</b> .....	Ann Xu
<b>Hispanic Families Liaisons</b> .....	Michelle Higgins
.....	Ligia Rivera
<b>Chinese Families Liaisons</b> .....	Ann Xu
.....	Jinsong Guo
<b>Pacific Islander Families Liaison</b> .....	Mele Tupou
<b>Japanese/Korean Families Liaison</b> .....	Rika Yamamoto
<b>School Board Observer</b> .....	Vaibhav Vaish

# PTA Special Ed / Inclusion Reps



<b>Pre-K / Greendell</b> .....	<i>open*</i>
<b>Addison</b> .....	Ella Wilsher
<b>Barron Park</b> .....	Audrey Chang
<b>Duveneck</b> .....	<i>open*</i>
<b>El Carmelo</b> .....	Sahithi Paleti/Namhee Kim
<b>Escondido</b> .....	Aslihan Demirkaya
<b>Fairmeadow</b> .....	Vaibhav Vaish/Sara Ann Amendola
<b>Hoover</b> .....	Wei-Wei Lin/William Nee
<b>Juana Briones</b> .....	Yuri Chang
<b>Nixon</b> .....	Kimberly Eng Lee
<b>Ohlone</b> .....	Jay Gluckman
<b>Palo Verde</b> .....	Yael Valek
<b>Walter Hays</b> .....	Supriya Suresh
<b>JLS M.S.</b> .....	Kathy Chen
<b>Greene M.S.</b> .....	Gauri Deshpande
<b>Fletcher M.S.</b> .....	Tina Chow/Disha Chopra
<b>Gunn</b> .....	Momoyo Yanagihara/Yael Uziel Naveh
<b>Paly</b> .....	Mary Vincent

\* Volunteers welcome!

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