You are not alone

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

Nearly 12% 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.

You are not alone

Connect with other parents

Join our Google Group
www.tinyurl.com/pased

Contact us
paloaltocac@gmail.com

Get more info
Events, monthly meetings, and local resources on our website

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.

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

www.cacpaloalto.org
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 2022-2023

Chair: Rika Yamamoto
Secretary: Mary Vincent
Treasurer: Momoyo Yanagihara
Parliamentarian: Elaine Heal
Community Building: Yael Uziel Naveh
Parent Education: Rika Yamamoto
District Advisory: Kimberly Eng Lee
Special Ed & Policy Advisor: Tara Ford
Communications: Aslihan Demirkaya
SelPA1 CAC Reps: Rika Yamamoto
PTA Council Liaison: Christine Baker

SELPA1 CAC Reps:
Chinese Families Liaison: Ann Xu
Japanese Families Liaison: Momoyo Yanagihara
Korean Families Liaison: Rika Yamamoto

* Volunteers welcome!

PTA Special Ed / Inclusion Reps

Speak one-on-one with a parent at your school

Pre-K / Greendell: open*
Addison: open*
Barron Park: Anusha Bade
Duveneck: open
El Carmelo: Sahithi Paleti
Escondido: Aslihan Demirkaya
Fairmeadow: Vaibhav Vaish
Hoover: Yi Zou
Juana Briones: Yuri Chang
Nixon: Kimberly Eng Lee
Ohlone: open*
Palo Verde: Monica Sinha
Walter Hays: open*
JLS M.S.: Kathy Chen
Greene M.S.: Gauri Deshpande/Shilpa Keny
Fletcher M.S.: Tina Chow/Jay Gluckman
Gunn: Momoyo Yanagihara/Yael Uziel Naveh
Paly: Christine Baker

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Email paloaltocac@gmail.com for individual's contact info

For individual's contact info, Check ptac.paloaltopta.org/special-education/

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