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.



Connect with other parents

Join our Google Group www.tinyurl.com/pased





Events, monthly meetings, and local resources on our website



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.

MultipleDisability **504Plan** OtherChallenges **Autism** SocialEmotional **SpeechImpairment** PhysicalDisability



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BehaviorIssues DevelopmentalDelay IEP

What We Do

CAC Leadership 2022-2023

Chair.....Rika Yamamoto

COMMUNITY Building

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

EDUCATION





- 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

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
	Alison Guan
	Hilary Somers
SELPA1 CAC Reps	Rika Yamamoto
	Christine Baker
PTA Council Liaison	Rika Yamamoto
Hispanic Families Liaison	open
Chinese Families Liaison	Ann Xu

 Pacific Islander Families Liaison......Mele Tupou

 Japanese Families Liaison......Momoyo Yanagihara

 Korean Families Liaison.......Rika Yamamoto

School Board ObserverVaibhav Vaish

* Volunteers welcome!

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

PTA Special Ed / Inclusion Reps

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

Pre-K / Greendell	open*
Addison	open*
Barron Park	Audrey Chang
Duveneck	Anusha Bade
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.	auri Deshpande/Shilpa Keny
Fletcher M.S	Tina Chow/Jay Gluckman
GunnMomoyo`	Yanagihara/Yael Uziel Naveh
Paly	Christine Baker

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