

VII. Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)

R 340.1832(k)

A description of how the intermediate school district will appoint the parent advisory committee members under R 340.1838(1) and (2).

The following is the ISD's process for appointing PAC members in accordance with R 340.1838(1) and (2).

The Oakland Schools Board of Education, at its regularly scheduled meetings, will appoint PAC members to serve three-year terms. The established terms are staggered to guarantee experienced memberships to fulfill the committee goals. The Oakland Schools Executive Director of Special Populations, or designee, shall make every attempt to assure that representation of all disability areas and all organizations, of parents of students with disabilities within Oakland County, are represented on the PAC. Further, the Oakland Schools Executive Director of Special Populations, or designee, is responsible for assuring that recommendations are made to the Oakland Schools Board of Education.

Each constituent district that provides special education services for more than 100 students may have two representatives. Each constituent district that provides special education services for fewer than 100 students may have one representative. Additionally, advocacy organizations may have one representative. Annually, on or before April 15, the Oakland Schools Executive Director of Special Populations, or designee, shall notify its constituent districts if a nomination of a parent(s) of a student with a disability is needed for the PAC. It is the responsibility of the district to assure their local Board of Education nominates a qualified parent(s) by July 1. Recommendations may be sought from local agencies, parent groups and school personnel.

A PAC member must be a parent or guardian:

1. Of a student who has been determined eligible for special education services by an IEP Team, and
2. Of a student who has a current academic year IEP, and
3. Whose nomination as a PAC member has been approved by his or her, local school board, and
4. Whose nomination as a PAC member has been accepted and approved by Oakland Schools Board of Education.

PAC Participation and Additional Responsibilities

R 340.1832(I)

A description of the role and responsibilities of the parent advisory committee, including how it shall participate in the cooperative development of the intermediate school district plan, formulate objections thereto, if any, and other related matters.

R 340.1836 (1)

Any constituent local school district, public school academy, or the parent advisory committee may file objections with the intermediate school district, in whole or in part, to an approved intermediate school district plan or a plan modification that has been submitted to the superintendent of public instruction for approval. Copies of an objection to the plan shall, within 7 calendar days, be directed to the department by the intermediate school district board of education and to all constituent local school districts, public school academies, and the parent advisory committee by certified mail, return receipt requested. Objections filed shall specify the portions of the intermediate school district plan objected to, contain a specific statement of the reasons for objection, and shall propose alternative provisions.

The following describes how the PAC participates in the development of the ISD Plan.

PAC members must be "qualified parents" according to R 340.1838. Terms are established at three-year intervals. Members are responsible for attending meetings and participating in established committees as identified in the *Parent Advisory Committee's By-Laws*. PAC members are also responsible for being in contact with their Local Education Agency (LEA), Public School Academy (PSA), or organization/agency that he or she represents.