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## COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### Tulare County Community Advisory Committee for Special Education

#### About the Committee

- This committee is required by law
- There are 16 members
  - Eight (8) are appointed by school districts
  - Eight (8) are members-at-large nominated by school districts and appointed by the County Board of Education
- Most members are parents of students with special needs
- Other members are –
  - parents of general education students
  - general and special education teachers
  - a school administrator
  - representatives from community agencies
  - a student or adult with special needs

#### Our job

- Support and promote a free, appropriate public education for students with special needs
- Increase awareness of the needs and abilities of special education students
- Advise the SELPA Director and the Directors of Special Education Committee on special education issues
- Recognize and honor people, agencies and businesses that support the principles of special education
- Become familiar with current trends and issues in special education

#### Meeting Information

- Meetings are held monthly from September through June
- Meetings are open to the public
- For the date and location of meetings, call (559) 730-2910 ext. 5125 or visit the Tulare County Office of Education website at [www.tcoe.org](http://www.tcoe.org) and select Special Services, then Calendar.

#### How to Become a Member

- If you would like to serve on the Committee, please call the Director of Special Education in your district or call Norma Erwin, Parent Liaison, TCOE at (559) 730-2910 ext. 5125.
- Note: we suggest that you attend one or more meetings prior to requesting membership.