



### **Special Education Advisory Group**

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**Item Type:** Informational

**Recommendation:** The General Membership review Special Education Advisory Group update.

**Background:**

At the most recent meeting of the Special Education Advisory Group, members coalesced around advocacy priorities to better support students with disabilities. Given the county superintendent's unique role within the Statewide System of Support, several of these priorities focused on the systemic changes necessary to improve outcomes for all learners. Specifically:

1. Fully integrate students with disabilities into the LCAP.
2. Develop and expand the Statewide System of Support to improve inclusive practices (e.g., Differentiated Assistance, LCAP support, training, etc.).
3. Include appropriate indicators in the School Dashboard.
4. Improve the preparedness of teachers and administrators to serve diverse learners.

The advisory group's co-chairs are supportive of a white paper, published in the late-summer or fall of 2022, to establish a cohesive vision and policy objectives for CCSESA to follow in the course of its legislative and budget advocacy. CCSESA welcomes feedback concerning policy objectives around serving students with exceptional needs.

Additional meetings of the advisory group are being scheduled by the co-chairs and CCSESA staff, including consultant Kristin Wright (Sacramento COE).