



Michigan Department of Education Special Education Advisory Committee

2024-2025 Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Member List

Last Updated: October 2024

Organizational Delegates and Alternates

Representation	Delegate	Alternate
American Federation of Teachers Michigan (AFT)	Goosen, Jacqueline	Hoskin, Samantha
Arc Michigan, The*	Rodriguez-Curry, Margarita**	Takouz, Heba**
Autism Alliance of Michigan (AAoM)*	Eckner, Heather**	Friedman, Jenna**
Down Syndrome Association of West Michigan (DSAWM)*	Lehman, Melissa**	VanderBent, Stacy**
Friendship Circle of Michigan*	Gillman, Dani**	Lovy, Jennifer**
Learning Disability Association of Michigan (LDA of Michigan)*	Barto, Alexandria**	Race, Maura**
Michigan Alliance for Families (MAF)*	Nicholls, Stephanie**	Biswanger, Kelsey**
Michigan Association of Administrators of Special Education (MAASE)	Cooley, Derek	Wolschlager, Michelle
Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators (MAISA)	Taiariol, Jennifer	Berg, Steve
Michigan Association of Non-Public Schools (MANS)	Castiglione, Tammy**	Krause, Kathy
Michigan Association of Public School Academies (MAPSA)	Gilbert, Angela	Tuinstra, Nicole
Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB)	McQuiston, Birgit**	Van Gasse, Janice**
Michigan Association of School Psychologists (MASP)	Muhammad, Fatimah	Tynan, Joshua
Michigan Association of School Social Workers (MASSW)	Saville, Erica	Vandenberg, Karla
Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals (MASSP)	Rutledge, Heather**	Sliwinski, Kristin
Michigan Association of Superintendents and Administrators (MASA)	Kennedy, Jason	Mainka, Ben
Michigan Association of Supervision & Curriculum Development (MiASCD)	Sladewski, Anne-Marie	Wood, Gary



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Michigan Council for Exceptional Children (MCEC)	Moore, Lydia	DeWaard, Jennifer
Michigan Education Association (MEA)	Beyer, Rachel	Eling, Aaron
Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association (MEMSPA)	Bacalia, Sarah	Open
Michigan Occupational Therapy Association (MiOTA)	Open	Open
Michigan Reading Association (MRA)	Anspach, Karyn	Zieleniewski, Lorri**
Michigan Speech Language Hearing Association (MSHA)	Gaines-Moore, Doena**	Smith-Darner, Rebecca
Michigan Transition Services Association (MTSA)	White, Kristin**	Santer, Beth

Members At-Large

Membership	Member
Defined	Boggs, Katie**
Non-Defined (in reserve)	Chapp, George
Defined	Darrough, Jackie**
Defined	Jabboori, Sama**
Defined	Johnson, Jennifer**
Defined (in reserve)	Johnson, Lindy**
Defined	Khater, Angela**
Non-Defined	Koenigsknecht, Scott
Defined	Mead, Debra**
Defined	Mills, Katherine**
Defined	Rathke, Daniel**
Non-Defined	Smith, Angie
Defined	Wilson, Dara**

Ex-Officio and Ex-Officio Alternates

Representation	Ex-Officio Delegate	Ex-Officio Alternate
Confederation of Michigan Tribal Education Departments (CMTED)	Stone, Cathy	Sharp, Christina



Representation	Ex-Officio Delegate	Ex-Officio Alternate
Labor and Economic Opportunity – Michigan Rehabilitation Services (MRS)	Hirst, Jennifer**	Dowding, Crystal
Michigan Department of Corrections (MDOC)	Bodell, Belle	Selling, Brandon
Michigan Department of Education – Low Incidence Outreach	Brutvan, Johanna	Balfour, Roxanne
Michigan Department of Education - Office of Special Education	Rink, Teri	Mozden, Chantel
Michigan Department of Education, Title IX - McKinney-Vento Homeless	Lopez-Barajas, Irma	Orris, Sara
Michigan Department of Health & Human Services - Foster Care	Rossi, Ann	Goad, Sarah**
Michigan Department of Health & Human Services – Juvenile Justice	Mileski, Terri	Mileski, Joshua
Michigan Department of Lifelong Education, Advancement, and Potential – 619 Preschool Education	Kuipers, Mark	Novak, Jorri
Michigan Department of Lifelong Education, Advancement, and Potential – Early On	Timbs, Janet	O’Connor, Colleen
Michigan Educator Preparation Institutions (EPI)	George, Pamela	Yates, Peggy
Michigan Teacher of the Year (MTOY), Office of Educator Excellence	Cusmano, Kelley	Dunham, Molly
SEAC Chair, 2023-24	Kohler, Beth**	N/A

** Organization must always have a defined delegate and alternate, "defined" meaning an individual with a disability or parent of a child with disabilities under the age of 26 years currently receiving special education services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).*

***Meets 51 percent defined member requirements.*

Patricia Abrahamson, OSE serves as SEAC support person.

Teri Pettit, Ed.S., serves as SEAC Facilitator.