

# **Second Reading**

Policy 8520 Committee on Special Education/Committee on Preschool Special Education

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	<b>Instruction</b>	

**Subject: Committee on Special Education/Committee on Preschool Special Education**

The Board of Education shall appoint a Committee on Special Education and a Committee on Preschool Special Education. The Committee on Special Education shall be comprised of a teacher or administrator of special education, at least one general education teacher of the child, and a school psychologist. The school physician and/or a parent of a student with a disability residing in the District must also be part of the committee if requested in writing within 72 hours of the meeting by the parent.

The Committee on Preschool Special Education shall be comprised of a teacher or administrator of special education, at least one general education teacher of the child, a school psychologist, a parent of a student with a disability residing in the District is also required, unless the parent of the student declines the participation of the additional parent member. The school physician **and/or a parent of a student with a disability residing in the District** must also be a part of the committee if requested in writing within 72 hours of the meeting by the parent.

At the discretion of the parent or the District, other individuals who have knowledge or special expertise regarding the student may be included. The determination of knowledge or special expertise shall be made by the party (parents or School District) who invited the individual to be a member of the committee.

Pursuant to Chapter 276 of the Laws of 2012, the additional parent member would be a required member of the CSE meeting only if requested by the parent, student or district in writing at least 72 hours prior to the meeting. The parents must receive proper written notice of their right to have an additional parent member attend any meeting of the CSE along with a statement, prepared by the New York State Education Department (NYSED), explaining the role of having the additional parent attend the meeting. NYSED has revised the State's required meeting notice form to include this statement.

Education Law Section 4402  
 Commissioner's Regulation 200.2, 200.3, 200.5  
 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.)  
 Sections 300, 324-344

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