
Report of the Central Special Needs Parity Committee (CSNPC)
Meeting of September 8, 2026

The committee met for the first time on September 8. The union and school board agreed on a timeline for setting the agendas, and the chairperson and secretary were named.

Budgetary Allocations 2026-2027

It was confirmed that all budgetary allocations that this committee is responsible for have been allocated in the full amounts prescribed by the collective agreement. Any allocations related to staffing were confirmed and distributed in the spring and summer following the work of the committee.

New IEP Tool

The committee received a presentation about the new tool for IEPs. A few initial questions and comments were shared, and we agreed to revisit the topic with feedback from teachers, if received.

IEP Release Allocations

The committee reviewed the distribution of the IEP release budgets. Given that substitute teachers are not all paid the same rate, this distribution is now done as a monetary amount (rather than as a number of days), as was also done last year.

Over the past few years, the committee has observed that certain high schools have ended the year with significant monies unspent, while elementary schools typically easily exhaust their budgets by the early spring. As a result, the budget was redistributed for 2026-2027 to make more efficient use of the funds. This new practice will be evaluated at the mid-year point in January and monitored this year, and further adjustments are possible if deemed necessary in the future.

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