



# ALGONQUIN AND LAKESHORE CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

## POLICY STATEMENT

### IDENTIFICATION, PLACEMENT AND REVIEW COMMITTEES

#### Rationale

In accordance with the requirements of Ontario regulation 181/98, the Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic District School Board shall establish Identification, Placement and Review Committees and determine their jurisdiction. The composition of such committees and the procedures to be employed by each committee member shall be determined by the Board.

#### Guiding Principles

- Provision of special education programs and services in the Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic District School Board is recognized as a priority both in our mission statement and our Board's Strategic Plan.
- In the Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic District School Board we program for **all** students, with the goal of placing students in their community school and in their age appropriate classrooms.
- Although the Identification, Placement and Review Committee (IPRC) process helps to ensure that students with exceptionalities are identified under the Ministry of Education's categories of exceptionalities and that they receive an appropriate placement, our Catholic board recognizes the Individual Education Plan (IEP) process as meeting the same goal.
- In the IEP process, the student's strengths and needs are identified based on current and relevant assessment information; the appropriate accommodations and/or modifications and/or alternate program expectations are developed; and the appropriate placement for the delivery of the special education services and supports is noted.
- Parents are consulted throughout the development, implementation and review of the IEP. Parents must consent to special education placements. If parents or the school principal requests the formal IPRC our Catholic board follows the process as outlined in regulation 181/98.

#### References

*Ontario Regulation 181/98*  
*ALCDSB Special Education Board Plan*  
*ALCDSB Special Education – A Guide for Parents*

**Administrative Procedures**

Identification, Placement and Review Committees Process and Appeals

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