



Special Services Advisory Committee Functions

- Our committee is made up of approximately two-thirds parents of students with exceptionalities and one-third staff representatives.
- We meet approximately five times per year to work on identified goals to continually enhance special education services by providing learning opportunities and sharing resources with USD 232 families and community members.
- The Special Services Advisory Committee (SSAC) was established in 2017

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Suggested Resources

Center for Parent Information and Resources

www.parentcenterhub.org

Disability Scoop

www.disabilityscoop.com

The Down Syndrome Guild of Greater Kansas City

www.kcdsg.org

Families Together, Inc.

www.familiestogetherinc.org

Kansas Infant-Toddler Services (ITS)

www.itsjc.org

Kansas Parents As Teachers Association

www.kpata.org

Life Course Tools

www.lifecoursetools.com

Special Needs Planning Center

www.snpcenter.com

Special Olympics Kansas

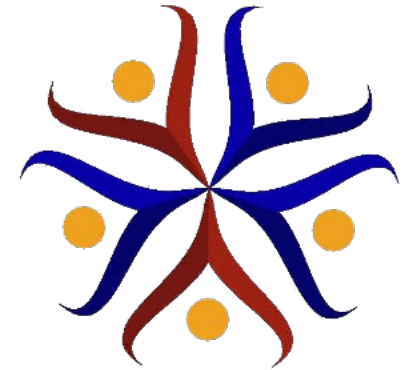
www.kssso.org

Understood

www.understood.org/en

Willow Tree Supports

www.willowtreesupports.com



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More resources can
be found at
USD232.org/ssac

Vision

Our vision is to support students and families in fulfilling students' individual aspirations and potential through the support and understanding of their unique learning needs.

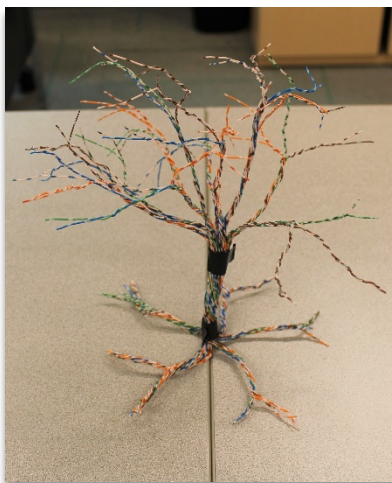


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Mission

Our mission is to dynamically represent students with exceptionalities for the purpose of continually seeking to enhance the quality of their educational services.



Purpose

- Serve as a liaison for students receiving special education and related services and impact decisions made on their behalf.
- Provide a forum to collaborate and share ideas related to the provision of special education services.
- Empower parents of children with exceptionalities through the acquisition of knowledge and understanding of IDEA processes and procedures while serving as a resource to others.
- Promote joint advocacy and positive communication efforts between parents and district staff.
- Work together on the implementation of educational programs offered throughout our Continuum of Special Education Services.
- Share success stories of our students while maintaining student confidentiality.
- Submit regular updates and recommendations to Superintendent for submission to USD 232 Board of Education.
- Provide a yearly reflection on accomplishments and activities within SSAC.