

IMPORTANT DEADLINES FOR IPRC APPEALS

START

Once you receive the IPRC Statement of Decision, you can:

Agree with the decision

or

Disagree with the decision and choose one of these options:

- **Choose not to appeal.** The student will be placed after 30 days
- **Request a second IPRC meeting** to review your concerns, within 15 days
- **File an appeal** with the Special Education Appeal Board (SEAB), within 30 days of the original IPRC decision

Appeal by filing in writing with the secretary of the school board

Second IPRC Meeting (Review)

After meeting, the second IPRC will either agree with the first IPRC decision or change the decision.

If you disagree with this decision, you can appeal to the Special Education Appeal Board within 15 days.

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Special Education Appeal Board (SEAB) consists of three panel members



Parents and school board must select their SEAB panel representatives within 15 days

The two representatives must then choose the third SEAB panel member within the next 15 days

30 days

Special Education Tribunal (SET)

If you do not agree with the school board's decision to accept or reject the SEAB's recommendations, you have 30 days from receiving their decision to email or write the SET.

The SET will send you *Form A: Notice of Appeal*. You have 20 days to complete and return it. Include IPRC decision, SEAB recommendations, and school board's decision. School board has 10 days to file a response.

The SET has two steps to try and settle the disagreement before the hearing. First is a mediation. If issues remain, a pre-hearing conference will be held to set hearing dates (of 1-5 days).

The SET's final written decision must be given within 90 days of the hearing.

The decision made by SET is final and cannot be appealed. If you disagree with the SET decision contact a lawyer to talk about your options.

The SEAB must make its recommendations to the school board within 3 days of the hearing. The panel may agree with the IPRC Statement of Decision, or, disagree and make a recommendation about what they think should be the identification and/or placement of the student.

See the complete guide

Special Education in Ontario: A guide for students and caregivers

available at www.jfcy.org/specialeducation

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