

WEST CARROLL PARISH SCHOOL BOARD  
Special Education Advisory Council  
410 Willis Street  
Oak Grove, LA 71263

Christy Boyte  
Superintendent  
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Dear Dr. Boyte,

One of the main goals of the Special Education Advisory Council for the 2022-2023 school year was to change mindsets about special education and the students who receive those services. We have discussed and implemented ways to share information. Among other things, we hope that educators and parents deeply understand the shift to inclusion rather than resource for West Carroll Parish students who take LEAP 2025 assessments. These students need to experience success which will only be possible if they are receiving services that make grade-level resources more accessible to them. If this is done effectively, they are much more likely to make academic progress with their peers and be prepared for college and career once they leave the school setting.

Other topics of discussion focused on the use of cameras in special education classrooms and implementation of the district's code of conduct. We discussed the law that requires cameras in the special education classrooms and the justifications for it. We also reviewed the WCPSB policies for video monitoring of school property and the procedures for storing and viewing the captured videos. After learning that the WCPSB Code of Conduct is being revised, we reviewed the current Code of Conduct and discipline law (RS 17:416). Then we shared concerns and offered feedback to the committee.

Please reach out if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,



Trent Heard  
Director of Federal Programs and Student Services