<u>Comparison for South Cluster ARC – Where is the best place for</u> <u>Mountain Secondary Program</u>

<u>CONS :</u> <u>Keep Mountain SS Program as a stand</u> <u>alone program</u>	<u>CONS:</u> <u>Move the Mountain SS Program to New</u> <u>School</u>
	-bullying
- most students have to be bussed and do not have the benefit of attending their local school;	- teachers who do not want special needs kids in their classes but who have no choice
- the programs are under funded;	- teachers who do not familiarize themselves with the child's IEP's
- program choice is limited;	- exclusion by peers
- there are not the same role models of "normal" behaviour to aspire to	- exclusion by a system that wants the kids who are the 'best' – ie best musicians, best athletes, best advocates
	- an administration who may not be familiar with the complex needs of MID students
	- the child's complex needs and complex behaviour are not understood by staff other than their own teachers