

### Identification, Placement and Review Committee *Parent/Guardian Resource*

#### What is an IPRC?

- The Identification, Placement and Review Committee (IPRC) is a school board committee that decides whether your child is exceptional and the type of placement that will build on your child's strengths. Ministry of Education Regulation 181/98 governs the IPRC process.

#### Did you know?

IPRC is an acronym. Each letter is explained:

- **I = Identification:** Specific health or medical documentation is used to determine if a child is identified as exceptional, according to categories and definitions provided by the Ministry of Education.
- **P = Placement:** The physical location where your child attends school. Options include regular class or self-contained class. The committee may also recommend an application to a Provincial School (where relevant).
- **R = Review:** A meeting held once a year to review student progress and determine if the exceptionality and placement are still needed.
- **C = Committee:** The Committee with parental input makes the decision about whether a child is exceptional and their program placement.

#### What is your role?

- Share information about your child's strengths, needs, interests, as well as health and medical documentation.
- Talk to school staff about whether an IPRC is required.
- Attend, participate in and understand the IPRC process and decisions made about your child.
- Understand that you may request regular class placement in your child's neighbourhood school.
- Ask your child's Principal any questions you may have about IPRCs.

Please refer to HWDSB's Specialized Services Informational Video Series for detailed information about topics related to special education, including IPRCs.

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