Where and When can I learn more?

- Contact the Department of Special Education and Student Services in the Santa Clara Unified School District (SCUSD):
  (408) 423-2000

- Search SCUSD website for Community Advisory Committee for upcoming parent education meetings and CAC Officer contacts:
  www.santaclarausd.org

- Santa Clara County Office of Education:
  www.sccoe.org/depts/students/selpa/pages/defaults.aspx

Santa Clara County Special Education Local Plan Area VII (SELPA VII)

Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

Santa Clara Unified School District
Vision: Rising above in Silicon Valley!
Mission: Preparing students of all ages and abilities to succeed in an ever-changing world.
What is the CAC?
The Community Advisory Committee is a group of parents, educators, and community members interested in helping children who have special educational needs.

The CAC:
- **Advises** the Santa Clara Unified School District Board of Trustees
- **Recommends** priorities and issues to be addressed
- **Provides** input into the development of our local plan for special education
- **Educates** parents, teachers, and others by offering informative meetings and speakers
- **Supports** activities for students with special needs
- **Encourages** community involvement

Why should I get involved?
The Santa Clara Unified School District and the students it serves benefit from the involvement of the community. You are welcome to participate in the CAC. Consider these benefits of joining:
- Have a voice in the District planning for Special Education
- Learn more about the Special Education Process
- Network with other parents and professionals
- Suggest and implement your own ideas for parent workshops

Help your child while helping others. Be a partner in positive solutions!

How can I benefit?
Attend CAC parent education meetings. Past topics include:
- Development of the IEP
- Test Accommodations for Students with Special Needs
- Learning Disability Simulation
- Transition Event
- Assistive Technology
- CAC School Site Representative Training
- Anti-bullying & Inclusion
- Dyslexia & Learning Disabilities
- Board Presentations

For more information, watch for flyers from your school site or contact your Special Education Department and your CAC Officers.