

Identification Placement and Review Committee (IPRC)

The Process

The IPRC Committee

An IPRC is a committee composed of at least three people, one of whom must be a principal or supervisory officer of the board, or designate. Parents are invited and encouraged to attend the meeting.

The Role of the IPRC

The Committee:

1. Decides whether or not your child should be identified as exceptional.
2. Identifies the areas of your child's exceptionality according to the categories and definitions provided by the Ministry of Education.
3. Decides an appropriate placement for your child (regular classroom with modifications and/or accommodations; regular classroom with resource programming; special education class).
4. Reviews the identification and placement of your child at least once in each school year or when requested by the parent or school principal provided that the program has been in effect for at least three months.

What happens at an IPRC

- The chair person introduces everyone and explains the purpose of the meeting.
- The IPRC will review all available information about your child. The members will:
 - Consider an educational assessment of your child.
 - Consider, subject to the provisions of the Health Care Consent Act, 1996, a health or psychological assessment of your child conducted by a qualified practitioner, if they feel that such an assessment is required to make a correct identification or placement decision.
 - Interview your child, with your consent, if your child is less than 16 years of age, if they feel it would be useful to do so; and
 - Consider any information that you submit about your child or that your child submits if he or she is 16 years of age or older.
- The Committee may discuss any proposal that has been made about a special education program or special education services for your child.
- Committee members will discuss any such proposal at your request or at the request of your child, if the child is 16 years of age or older.
- You will be encouraged to ask questions and join the discussion.
- Following the discussion, after all the information has been presented and considered, the committee will make its decision.

For more information please visit the Near North District School Board website:
www.nearnorthschools.ca > Parents > Special Education > What is an IPRC?