

MONROE CITY SCHOOLS
2025-2026 Annual Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC) Report



May 20, 2026

What is the purpose of [LEA]’s Special Education Advisory Council?

R.S. 17:1944 requires local public-school systems to create a special education advisory council to provide advice and feedback regarding special education policies, procedures, and resources. The council shall also engage in outreach activities to the community at large to increase the level of knowledge, support, and collaboration with respect to special education.

Members and Roles

Member	Role
Shontae Johnson	Parent/ Community Stakeholder
Jeremy Burks	Parent
Shondrika Burks	Parent
Brittany Cease	Parent
Sandra Norsworthy	Teacher
LaRochelle Wooten*	Elementary Program Manager
Kimberly Foster	JHS Program Manger
Jamekia Dial-Hunter	HS Program Manager

2023-2024 Meetings, Agendas, Minutes

October 28, 2025 3:00 p.m.	Monroe City Schools Media Center Classroom	SEAC Minutes 2025-2026 SY (Oct, Feb, Apr).pdf
February 10, 2026 3:00 p.m.	Monroe City Schools Media Center Classroom	SEAC Minutes 2025-2026 SY (Oct, Feb, Apr).pdf
April 20, 2026 3:00 p.m.	Monroe City Schools Media Center Classroom	SEAC Minutes 2025-2026 SY (Oct, Feb, Apr).pdf

Meeting Agendas are emailed to SEAC members prior to each meeting. Minutes of the meetings are recorded by Jamekia Dial-Hunter who also types the minutes and arranges for distribution to SEAC members within ten (10) business days of the meetings.

Executive Summary

Overview of Student With Disabilities' Academic Performance Data and Subgroup Performance

Monroe City Schools received Top Growth: Student With Disabilities All Grades (3% Growth)

Overview of special education financial data

IDEA AB	\$ 4,686,594.00
IDEA Preschool	\$ 201,988.00
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Highlights and Accomplishments of the Council

- The improvement of SWD performance-District received 3% growth
- Partnership with Bailey Education Group, LLC
 - Teacher support, Coaching, Bootcamps, and Professional Developments
- MCS First SWD Field Day
 - Prepared students for GUMBO games and Special Olympics
- Walk Around The Block for Autism
 - SEAC members volunteered, participated and contributed to the cause
- Provider Seminar Review
 - 289 students attended and over 20 agencies participated
- Transition Book
 - Updated and distributed to families and students
- Special Olympics Synopsis
 - Huge success for the Middle and High Schools

Areas of Improvement, Next Steps, and Timeline of Upcoming Activities

- Special Education Teachers more Professional Development in Core Content Areas
 - 2026-2027 School Year Professional Development
- Full Implementation of the Special Education Playbook

Parent Engagement

Monroe City Schools host a district-wide meeting to provide parents with an opportunity to review district programs and ask questions. In collaboration with the Monroe Housing Authority, district leadership also organizes “Chat and Chew” events in the housing complex community rooms and local recreation centers. These gatherings are designed to share the district's vision and initiatives, followed by a Q&A session for both parents and students.

Additionally, schools hold monthly family and community workshops aimed at explaining and promoting academic excellence. Monroe City Schools also partner with community stakeholders, including local sororities and fraternities, to support and implement various educational programs.

MCS Office of Student Support Services uses the district’s social media pages to communicate information and spotlight news within the department.

