



Resources:

Michigan Alliance for Families

1325 S. Washington Ave.
Lansing, MI 48910
(800) 552-4821

www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org

Citizen's Mediation Service

811 Ship St.
Ste. 205
St. Joseph, MI 49085
(269) 982-7898 or (800) 573-7658

www.citizensmediation.org

Michigan Department of Education/ Office of Special Education

P.O. Box 30008
608 W. Allegan St.
Lansing, MI 48909

Information Line

(888) 320-8384

Disability Network

2900 Lakeview Ave.
St. Joseph, MI 49085
(269) 985-0111 or (877) 674-5209

Autumn Poole Accountability & Program Improvement Specialist

(269) 471-7725 ext. 1309
autumn.poole@berrienresa.org

Regional Education Service Agencies (RESAs), sometimes called Intermediate School Districts (ISDs), exist to serve the common needs of their constituent local school districts. There are 56 RESAs/ISDs in Michigan, and every school district is part of one. Their primary mission is to foster efficiency and innovation while optimizing the use of public funds. By pooling resources and providing services regionally, RESAs provide cost-effective, high quality assistance to local school districts.

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Parent Advisory Committee

Berrien RESA complies with all federal and state laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination and with all requirements and regulations of the United States Department of Education and the Michigan State Department of Education.

www.berrienresa.org

Berrien RESA's Mission Statement:


We support our school community with respect and compassion through quality programs, leadership, and dedicated partnerships.

Berrien RESA's Core Values:



Social Media:

 [facebook.com/Berrienresa](https://www.facebook.com/Berrienresa)

 [@berrienresa](https://twitter.com/berrienresa)

What is the Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)?

Our committee is comprised of a group of parents who have one thing in common; a child with a disability. Members serve as a voice for the families whose children attend special education programs and receive special education services within Berrien County.

What responsibilities do PAC members have?

- We attend & participate in meetings and informational sessions to increase our understanding about the education of students with disabilities.
- We serve as a communication link; sharing information and supporting other parents in collaboration with the school districts we represent.
- We participate in discussions and provide input in matters relating to special education programming and services for the county.

How do I become PAC member?

PAC members are recommended for appointment to our committee by their local school district. That individual must then be approved by the school board of their local district and the Berrien RESA Board of Education.

- Each district may have up to two members as their representatives.
- The term limit is 2 years. However, an individual can be re-appointed.
- Every effort is made to ensure members represent the various disabilities of the students enrolled in our programs.

Can I attend a PAC meeting without having been appointed and approved by the school board?

Yes. Our meetings are public and everyone is welcome.

How do I contact my local district's parent representative for information/support?

PAC representatives are listed online at www.berrienresa.org/PAC.

PAC Meetings

Location:

Berrien RESA Administrative Center
711 St. Joseph Ave.
Berrien Springs, MI 49103

Time: 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Meeting Dates:

September 18, 2018
October 16, 2018
November 20, 2018
January 15, 2019
March 12, 2019 - Banquet
April 16, 2019
May 21, 2019

For meeting agendas and minutes, visit:

www.berrienresa.org/PAC