Illinois State Advisory Council
on the Education of Children with Disabilities

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

If you do not wish to speak to the Council, you do not need to sign in.

The following procedures will govern Public Participation:

1. Individuals wishing to address the Council must sign in prior to the time of public participation, as listed on the agenda.

2. Presentations must be specific to the work of the Council; individuals wishing to address the Council must indicate on the sign-in sheet the specific topic or issues about which they will be speaking.

3. Individuals will be allowed to speak for no more than five minutes. Questions will be entertained at the end of the individual presentations.

4. With the permission of the Council Chairperson, more than one person may represent an organization in appearing before the Council at any given meeting.

5. Priority for presentation of testimony will be given to individuals who have not previously addressed the Council on a given issue.

6. Questions are to be directed to the Council as a whole and may not be put to any individual members of the Council or administrative staff.

7. No person addressing the Council shall make charges or level complaints against individuals under the jurisdiction of the Council. Such charges or complaints will only be accepted in writing and will not be considered unless signed by the person making the charges.

8. Boisterous conduct will not be permitted at any Council meeting, nor will any defamatory or abusive language be tolerated. The Chairperson may terminate the privilege of any speaker who violates this regulation.

9. Exceptions will be made when the Council chooses by resolution to "suspend the rule."

Reasonable accommodations are available upon request. Individuals requiring special accommodations should contact the Illinois State Board of Education (voice: 217/782-5589 and TTY: 217/782-1900) at least one week prior to the meeting date to allow time for making accommodations.