



REPORT TO:	Special Education Advisory Committee
	Public or In-Camera (for Board Meetings only): Public
TITLE OF REPORT:	Special Education Plan 2025-2026
PRESENTERS: <i>(list ONLY those attending the meeting)</i>	J. Bruce, Superintendent of Student Achievement, Special Education
REPORT AUTHORS:	J. Bruce, Superintendent of Student Achievement, Special Education
PRESENTED FOR:	Approval
Recommendations: <i>(only required when presented for approval)</i>	THAT the 2025-2026 Special Education Plan be approved.
Purpose: <i>(include context)</i>	To present the 2025-2026 Special Education Plan to the SEAC for recommendation for final approval.
Content:	<p>Since 2000, all school boards in the province of Ontario are required to develop a Special Education Plan which includes 18 Standards.</p> <p>The purpose of the plan is to “improve the quality of special education programs and services.”</p> <p>In accordance with Regulation 306, the Thames Valley District School Board reviews its plan on an annual basis to ensure it meets current needs.</p> <p>This includes reviewing current practices, planning for professional learning, and forming and maintaining important partnerships.</p> <p>Highlights of the changes made to the Special Education Plan include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alignment with the TVDSB Strategic Plan [Standard 2]• Description of a position within the department (Behaviour Analyst) [Standard 3]• Updating the data pertaining to the number of Identification, Placement and Review Committee (IPRC) meetings [Standard 5]• Update to Speech and Language Assessment tools [Standard 6]• The locations of Special Education classes for 2024-2025 [Standard 9]• Updating the process regarding parent input in the IPRC process [Standard 9]• Ensuring that the placement for our specialized classes are accurate [Standard 9]• Annual review of students in Secondary ASD and TCP to ensure program is meeting student needs and students are utilizing the program appropriately [Standard 9]

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accessibility Projects completed or in progress during the 2024-2025 school year [Standard 15] • 2025-2026 Staffing [Standard 12]
Financial Implications:	None
Timeline:	n/a
Communications:	Final approved copy of 2025-2026 Special Education Plan will be posted on the Thames Valley District School Board website.
Appendices:	2025-26 Special Education Plan

Connection to Strategic Directions:

We value students' individual educational paths and provide the tools and resources necessary for student achievement including students with special education needs: Yes

To support student achievement, our schools and workplaces must be safe spaces for all: Yes

Our goal is to become Ontario's leader in education by fostering a culture of innovation and excellence: Yes

To inform our decision-making, we will build positive, trusting relationships across our district by increasing community engagement that is accessible, accountable, and transparent: Yes
