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## **POLICY SECTION 1106: The Appeal Process**

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### **POLICY**

The Ahkwesahsne Board of Education firmly believes that the identification, placement, and review process utilized in its schools is fair and encourages full involvement of parents/guardians. School personnel must clearly explain all aspects of special education to parents/guardians throughout the entire special education process. However, some parents/guardians may disagree with identification of their children, even if they are fully informed.

### **GUIDELINES**

1. All parents/guardians must be made aware of the appeal process once their child is discussed at an IPRC.
2. If the parent/guardian does not agree with either the identification or placement decision made by the IPRC, they have 10 days to file an appeal by submitting a letter of request to the School Principal.
3. The appeal process involves the following steps:
  - a) The Board will establish a Board to hear the appeal comprised of three people who have no prior knowledge of the matter under appeal.
  - b) AMBE administration will arrange the meeting to hear the appeal. It must take place within 10 school days of receipt of the letter of request.
  - c) The Appeal Board must make a decision within three days of the meeting. They may agree with the IPRC and recommend the decision be implemented, or disagree with the IPRC and make an independent recommendation about the child's identification, placement, or both. The Appeal Board will report its recommendations in writing to the parent/guardian and the school.