

*MEDICINE HAT PUBLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION OPERATES AS MEDICINE HAT PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION,  
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SECTION 200 – Board Governance

**POLICY 218.2: DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION  
PLACEMENT**

**BACKGROUND**

The Board of Trustees recognizes that there are certain situations that warrant a timely reaction regarding student placement in a special education program as per Section 47(1) of the School Act.

**POLICY**

The Board acknowledges that Section 47 of the School Act allows the Board to direct students to a special education program. The Board authorizes the Administration, under the direction of the Superintendent, to exercise any power that the Board may or is required to exercise in accordance with Section 47 of the School Act.

**GUIDELINES**

1. The Board requires the Superintendent to communicate to the Board in writing, any decision made pursuant to this delegated authority.
2. The Board understands that there are situations where individuals may wish to appeal a Special Education Placement as per Policy 618 – Appeals and Hearings regarding Student Matters.

**REFERENCES**

Policy 618 – Appeal and Hearing Regarding Student Matters  
Alberta Education – School Act

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