

# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY SPECIAL EDUCATION LOCAL PLAN AREA

## **Governance of Santa Barbara County SELPA**

(BP 2000)

The Santa Barbara County SELPA Joint Powers Agency Board (“JPA Board”) is the governing body of the Santa Barbara County Special Education Local Plan Area (“SELPA”). The JPA Board derives its powers from the laws of the State of California and from a Joint Powers Agreement approved by all SELPA member local educational agencies (“LEAs”), including the Santa Barbara County Education Office.

It is the policy of the JPA Board to encourage public participation in the JPA Board’s activities in order to fully promote communication with interested persons and entities within the SELPA. All meetings of the JPA Board, unless allowed by law, are public and accessible to the disabled. Deliberations of the JPA, unless allowed by law, shall be conducted openly and all actions taken in public session.

The JPA Board holds the Santa Barbara County SELPA Executive Director responsible for the efficient administration of the SELPA and the functions of the Joint Powers Agency.

BOARD APPROVED: 03/02/2026