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## MEDIA ADVISORY-FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCED FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION

**Montgomery, AL** – Due to the threat of inclement weather in the Birmingham area on Thursday, January 19, 2023, the Special Education Advisory Panel (SEAP) meeting will now be held online through the WebEx platform.

The Special Education Advisory Panel (SEAP) and the Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE) encourage the public to attend the upcoming virtual meeting and offer input regarding special education services. Participation by concerned citizens at this meeting provides an opportunity to identify issues and unmet needs related to educational services for children with disabilities throughout the state.

WHEN: Thursday, January 19, 2023, 9 a.m. - 12 noon. Comments from the public will be read aloud

during the scheduled time on the agenda.

**WebEx:** alsde.webex.com/alsde/j.php?MTID=m48b1a5d44f1dfe0c2f86124f047c7041

Enter the session password: SEAP1192023

To join the session by phone, use call-in toll number (US/Canada): 1-650-479-3208;

Access code: 2594 426 1171

**TOPIC:** The SEAP will review current issues pertaining to services for students with disabilities.

Public comments will be read during the scheduled time on the agenda. If you wish to submit public comments, they must be factual and objective and not mention a student, school, or individual by name or other confidential information. Public written comments will be received by the ALSDE, Special Education Services Section either by email at speced@alsde.edu or by mail at:

Alabama State Department of Education Special Education Services Section ATTN: Dr. Ashley Cawley Post Office Box 302101 Montgomery, Alabama 36130-2101

If interpreter services for non-English speaking individuals and/or individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing are needed, please contact Dr. Ashley Cawley <u>ashley.cawley@alsde.edu</u> or 334-694-4782. Requests should be made as soon as possible, but at least five (5) days prior to the scheduled meeting.