

MEMBERSHIP

Our LTF is comprised of parents and representatives from: IU 5, School Districts, County Mental Health/Mental Retardation Office, local ARC's, consumers, and any other private citizen or agency necessary to accomplish the work of the group. There must be at least one more parent/consumer member than there are professionals listed above for voting purposes.

To join, attend a meeting and become a member.

Meetings are held at the IU 5 office, 252 Waterford Street, Edinboro, PA. Meetings are held from 10 AM to 12 PM on the second Thursday of the following months unless otherwise notified:

September

November

January

March

May

YOU ARE YOUR CHILD'S FUTURE

The Northwest Pennsylvania Right to Education Task Force (LTF) meetings are open to the public, but are not considered open discussion meetings.



Northwest Pennsylvania Local Right to Education Task Force (LTF) serving School Districts:

City of Erie
Conneaut
Corry Area
Crawford Central
Fairview
Fort LeBoeuf
General McLane
Girard
Harbor Creek

Iroquois
Millcreek Township
North East
Northwestern
PENNCREST
Union City Area
Warren County
Wattsburg Area

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Northwest Pennsylvania Right to Education Task Force (LTF)

Communication Collaboration & Cooperation

Serving School Districts in Crawford, Erie and Warren Counties



Be a part of the effort to assure an appropriate education for all students. Participate in the Local Right to Education Task Force! (LTF)

WORKING TOGETHER

The PARC Consent Decree of 1972 mandated the Local Task Force (LTF) system to create an LTF in each of Pennsylvania's 29 Intermediate Units. The LTF in IU 5 serving Crawford, Erie and Warren Counties has been actively working on behalf of students with disabilities. It has a membership comprised of concerned parents, advocates and professionals.



LTF MEMBER DUTIES

- Carry out the letter and spirit of the Right to Education Consent Agreement. (PARC vs. Commonwealth)
- Identify and clarify problems related to delivery of special education and make recommendations for change.
- Serve as advocates for students with disabilities.
- Communicate needs and problems to the appropriate sources.
- The LTF follows the policies, procedures and guidelines outlined by the State Task Force.
- The LTF refers problems identified locally to the appropriate local agency or to the State Task Force for clarifications, recommendations and/or solutions.
- The LTF serves as a vehicle for educating the community at large about the needs of children with disabilities.
- The LTF makes specific recommendations to the State Task Force or other appropriate groups, concerning solutions to problems identified locally, which may have ramifications on a regional or statewide basis.
- To listen and address parental concerns.

LTF OVERVIEW

Mission Statement

The mission of the Local Right to Education Task Force (LTF) is to provide a public forum that promotes collaboration among parents, educators and other providers to address issues affecting students receiving special education services; including but not limited to parent education, advocacy and special education program monitoring to be included in the state audit.

Primary Purpose

The primary purpose of the Local Right to Education Task Force (LTF) is to make recommendations that assist in improving, strengthening, expanding (where needed) and monitoring programs and services for school aged children with disabilities.