



# Sayreville P.R.O.U.D

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SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT ADVISORY GROUP

◉ ADVOCATE ◉ EDUCATE ◉ CELEBRATE ◉

# What is a Special Education Parent Advisory Group (SEPAG)

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- Required by state regulation
  - NJAC 6A:14-1.2(h): Each district board of education shall ensure that a special education parent advisory group is in place in the district to provide input to the district on issues concerning students with disabilities.
  - Parent driven partnership with district staff
  - SEPAG membership should be diverse and inclusive
  - Advises school administrators on system-level needs on behalf of all students with disabilities, not just a single group or a single issue.
  - Helps to shape the development of programs and services, and policies
  - Ultimately improves district culture and climate

# P.R.O.U.D. Leadership Team

## People Reaching Out and Uniting with the District

Rhonda Davis, Parent

Victoria Haney, Parent

Nikki Tatum, Parent

### **Advisors**

Jennifer Barreiro, School Social Worker

Kara Schlaline, School Social Worker

Rachel Gelfand, Special Education Teacher

# MISSION STATEMENT

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**Our mission is to facilitate communication between parents, students, Special Services administrators, the community, and the Board of Education to enhance the quality of special education policies, programs, and practices to promote inclusion, understanding of and support of all children with different abilities leading to success within their community.**

# WHAT WE DO

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As a SEPAG our focus is to make sure that all parents/guardians of children with disabilities (those with IEPs/504s) within the district and out-of-district have a forum which they can:

- Raise questions
- Voice their concerns
- Help shape the development of programs, services, and policies
- Improve and sustain a culture of inclusion, diversity, and respectful climate for learning

## **Achievements**

- ✓ Provided feedback to increase communication between therapists and parents
- ✓ Educational sessions relating to curriculum and behaviors
- ✓ Recommended training for Bus Drivers and Aides (training will be held this school year)
- ✓ Social Events Participation

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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## Meetings and Workshops

October 19, 2017

January 18, 2018

February 15, 2018

April 19, 2018

*All meetings and workshops will be held at Sayreville War Memorial High School Media Center*

**Thursday Evenings**

**7 PM**

## Resource Fair

November 2, 2017

SUES Cafeteria

6:30 PM

## Social Events – Dates TBD

Pumpkin Picking

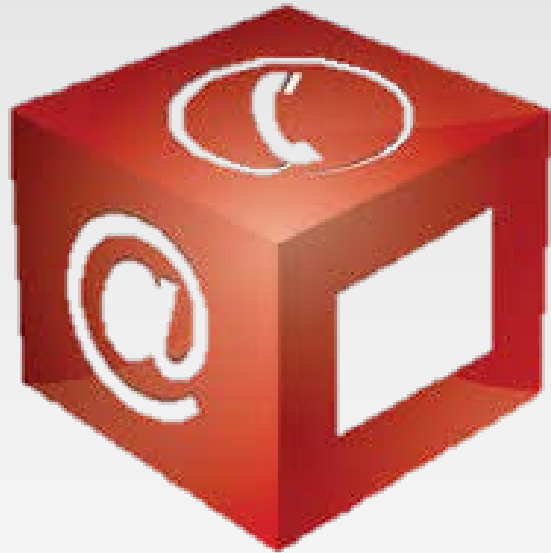
Bowling Outing

Air Trampoline Outing

All events are subject to change.

# Contact Us

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