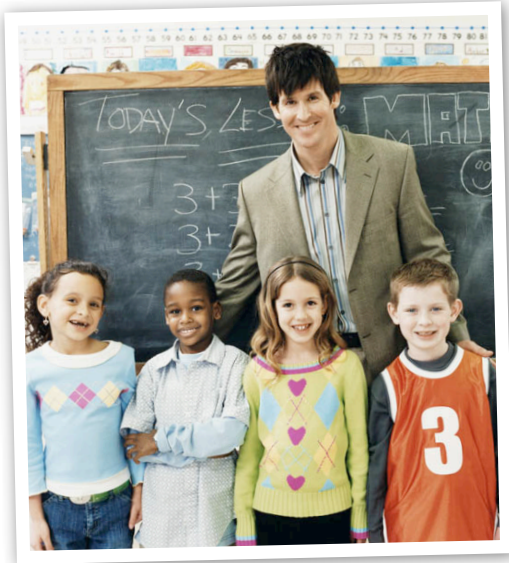


Melrose Special Education Parent Advisory Council



What is the Special Education PAC?

We are parents who volunteer to provide support, training, resources and information to parents in the district who have a child on an IEP or a 504 plan. We are a proactive and positive voice, required by the state to advise the district on matters that pertain to the education and safety of students with disabilities. We hope our workshops will be of benefit to all families.

Please come to
our next meeting
on WED
DECEMBER 15th
to share your ideas,
success stories and
concerns about your
child's educational
experiences and needs
in our district. We will
bring these ideas
forward to our district
administration.

2010-2011 SPED PAC Meetings & Workshops

7-9 pm in the Superintendent's Conference Room

DEC. 15- Business meeting. Come and share your success stories and your concerns about special education.

JAN. 19 – Two presentations:

How to promote good communication practices between parent and school. What can parents do to encourage good communication with the school members? What does the DESE recommend for positive communication for parents who have children with special needs?

A district update and preliminary information on the results of the Coordinated Program Review, by Patti White-Lambright.

FEB. 16 – Viewing of the movie, “Including Samuel.”

MARCH 16 – How does your Engine run? Building sensory breaks into your day and sensory self regulation. By MPS OT staff.

APRIL 13 – Basic Rights Training by the Federation of Children with Special Needs

MAY 18 – Speech – Suggestions for ways to support the home/school follow through for children with speech delays AND Social skills across the day.

JUNE 15 – Wrap up the year with Patti White-Lambright. What goals did we achieve and what will we hope for next year with MPS.

Meetings are held at Superintendent's Conference Room, 360 Lynn Fells Parkway, Central Administration located in the High school building. Entrance on corner of building next to the Middle school. **NOTE schedule changes are updated on the MPS website under Pupil Services.**

Sign up to join the email list to receive notices about meetings, meeting time changes, special events, tips and resources related to education and children with special needs by emailing bnkjdon@aol.com to receive confidential emails from our listserve. If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please contact Cathy Gulino Cagulino@aol.com or Karen Burtnett Kburtnett@mac.com, co-chairs of the SpEd PAC.