

WEBSITES FOR PARENTS:

Federal Department of Education:

www.ed.gov

Massachusetts Department of Education:

www.doe.mass.edu

Family TIES: www.massfamilyties.org

Federation for Children with Special Needs: www.fcsn.org

South Norfolk Arc and Family Autism Center: www.arcsouthnorfolk.org

LD Online offers information on Language Based Learning Disabilities:
www.ldonline.org

Massachusetts Branch of the International Dyslexia Association (MABIDA): www.dyslexia-ma.org

CHADD Children and Adults with ADHD:
www.chadd.net/467

Massachusetts Down Syndrome Congress: www.mdsc.org

Massachusetts Association for Parents of the Visually Impaired: www.mapvil.org

The Decibels Foundation:
www.decibelsfoundation.org

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NORWOOD S.E.P.A.C.

Special Education

Parent Advisory Council

Norwood SEPAC

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What is a SEPAC?

Under M.G.L. Chapter 71B, s. 3

Each School District shall create a district wide Parent Advisory Council offering membership to all parents of eligible students and other interested parties.

The Parent Advisory Council duties shall include but not be limited to:

- Advising the school committee on matters that pertain to the education and safety of students with disabilities;
- Meeting regularly with school officials to participate in the planning, development, and evaluation of the school district's special education programs.

The Mission of the Norwood SEPAC:

- To forward the understanding of, respect for, and support of all children with special needs who reside within our town. To that end, we will work to:
- Promote a network of parents of children with special needs, and provide a forum for the parents to share information;

- Advise the Director of Student Services on operations and development of special education programs, parent and teacher training needs, and to help develop policy;
- Promote communication between parents, staff and administration;
- Promote communication and programs within the community that seek to encourage understanding, acceptance and inclusion of the children with special needs;
- Provide informational forums to parents as often as possible.

Who is Eligible to be a Member of SEPAC?

- Membership shall be offered to all parents of children with disabilities on IEP's and 504 plans and other interested parties;
- Parents of students in out-of-district placements may join the PAC of the district of residence and a Parent Advisory Group at their child's out-of-district placement, if desired.

Where are SEPAC meetings held?

SEPAC Meetings are held at the Savage Center, 275 Prospect Street, Norwood in Room 219 and/or Room 203. There will be 6 to 7 Meetings during the school year from 6:30pm-8:00pm.

Meeting dates vary depending on availability of administrators and speakers. Notices are posted in the schools either via bulletin board or school website. We also post our meetings through email, Facebook, and NPA-TV.

How to Contact Norwood SEPAC:

Email: norwoodsepac@gmail.com

For Meeting Information and Community Resources visit us at:

Facebook:

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