

Invitation to join the Washington Township Special Education Parent Advisory Group

We invite you to join the Washington Township Special Education Parent Advisory Group (SEPAG). SEPAG provides parents with the opportunity to give input and advice to the school district regarding matters pertaining to students with disabilities. Based on feedback from the community and in consultation with SPAN, we plan to reorganize SEPAG. Participants will consist of parents of students with an IEP (one from each school) and a parent of a student served in an out-of-district school. Special Education staff will also be included. The newly formed SEPAG will replace the open format that was used in the past thereby allowing for focused conversations and collaboration.

The main aims of the SEPAG are:

- ❖ To provide input on policies, programs and practices that impact services and supports for students with disabilities
- ❖ To give input that will improve positive outcomes for students with special needs
- ❖ To provide feedback on key issues that are specific to the special education department

What we would like from you as a member of the SEPAG:

- ❖ A willingness to collaborate with school administrators
- ❖ A willingness to attend four SEPAG meetings during the school year
- ❖ A desire to continue to improve special education services in a positive forum
- ❖ The ability to focus on "big picture" (systemic) issues

If you would like to be considered as a participant on the Special Education Parent Advisory Group, please complete the attached survey. This survey will close on January 21, 2020. You will be notified if you have been selected. A training for this group will occur on Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 6:30. As always, thank you for your support.

Thank you