



Barnstable Public Schools

Special Education Parent Advisory Council

Meeting – Monday, September 19, 2016

Barnstable United Elementary School ~ Cafeteria
730 Osterville-W. Barnstable Road, Marstons Mills

5:45 SEPAC Meeting

Discussion with Parents – Beginning-of-School-Year Concerns

6:30 Presentation – Basic Rights in Special Education Workshop

Child care is provided ~ Pizza & drinks served

Massachusetts Special Education Law (Section 3 of Chapter 71B) requires every school district to have a SEPAC. This council is charged with:

*"...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 student with disabilities; meeting regularly with school officials to **participate in the planning, development, and evaluation of school committee's special education programs.** ..."*

This is YOUR parent advisory council.

Be involved!

Help improve special education services in Barnstable Public Schools.

BASIC RIGHTS in Special Education

A Workshop for Parents and Professionals

presented by:

Federation for Children with Special Needs

The Basic Rights workshop provides families with an introduction to their rights and responsibilities under:

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)

Massachusetts Special Education Law

This workshop is designed to help parents learn to be effective partners with their child's school to decide their child's eligibility for special education, and to plan, make decisions and monitor their child's progress in school.

The Massachusetts Department of Special Education requires districts to hold this presentation once per year.