

SEPAC MEETING AGENDA

February 1, 2024

6:30 online via Zoom

Welcome

- Thank you for participating
- Participant introductions

Topics for Discussion

Recap:

- Special Education Day - 12/1 - a message about the history and importance of this day was sent out and posted in each building. Stickers were printed at the high school and offered in each school's main office. Teachers have them on their chromebooks/notebooks/planners and are seen throughout the school
- 2nd survey results (October 2023 vs. May 2023)
 - Similar results, 16 vs. 11 responders - Questions and suggestions were related to adding other Unified Sports (track, bocce, pickleball, golf), transition areas already being addressed - DVRS comes to school to speak to the students, additional awareness days/activities, Spectrum Sports
- Unified Bowling (AHS) - going very well! We have a better balance of athletes and helpers this year. Hoping to be approved to attend the Youth Summit in March.

New:

- WAVE Program (AHS) - dollar dog day, hoagie sale, CBI experiences to Echelon Fitness, Acme, Crystal Lake Diner, and AWA, cooking/baking tasks (holiday cookies for school board members, dog treats for AWA visit). Our students were involved in all aspects of each event (planning/prep, counting money, organizing orders, delivery). A class from the high school visited with a class at Mansion for a snack and activity in the fall and will visit again in February.
- SEPAC Brochure [Brochure 2/1/24](#)

A Look Ahead:

- **Spectrum Sports Inclusive Activity Nights** - March 7th, 6:30, MAS *see [Flyer](#)
- **Rock Your Socks for Down Syndrome** - March 21st

- **AHS Volleyball Tournament**, benefiting Autism NJ - February, TBD
- **Neurodiversity Week** - Spring, TBD
- **Inclusive Walk for Acceptance** - April 21 - planning meeting TBD
- **CDG Day** - May 16th
- Opportunity for teachers from AHS and Mt. Ephraim to meet regarding students' transition to 9th grade

Local Opportunities/ Resources- not affiliated with or recommended by APS.

- We Rock the Spectrum- “The Gym for All Kids”
- Spectrum Sports- DDD Approved
- Camden County disABILITIES & Special Needs Programs ●
- Rowan All Star Sports Clinic (School of Osteopathic Medicine)
-co-sponsored by RowanSOM and The Autism Think Tank NJ ●
- The Spot, Station Ave in Haddon Heights
- Care Solace

Open Discussion

- Committee goals for the year?
- Topics from participants?
 - handicap parking spot at Mansion continues to be taken by able-bodied families, need more police presence to enforce and monitor, teachers are having to ask drivers to move during morning duties
 - The School Board thanks the WAVE students from the elementary and high school for the cookies and hot chocolate presented in December

Start: 6:30

End: 7:15

Participants:

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Jenna Casey

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