

PAC Meeting: Special Education

4/26/16

Start Time: 8:40am

End Time: 9:20 am

In Attendance: Catherine Korda, Lloy Johnston, Mandy Bevacqua, Melanie Shank, Vicki Inglezou, Megan Trinter, Erin Oleniczak, Rachida Dini, Maria Ciccone, SanJuana Salazar, Maryam Jalal, Judy Edstrom, Maria Jimenez, Celita Castro, Karina Morales, Celia Bergman, Fatima Machtache, Lois Korda, Sara Zhong, Vaheeda Shaikh, Iman Elkando, Barbara Nordlund, Kate Kane, Jenny Curtis, Michael Coleman

Special Education Services

Michael Coleman

-To request a referral for your child, simply request it in writing and submit it to Mr. Coleman. For children 0-3 years of age, go through the Child Find Program

IEP – Individualized Education Plan for specialized education services for children with a disability. Annual meetings to track how student is doing and to reevaluation goals.

504 Plan – Accommodations for a medical diagnosis that is impacting your child at school. (asthma, ADHD, etc.). For students who do not need support from special education teacher.

Inclusion & Resource services – special teacher(s) come into the classroom for all or portions of the day to work with students based on their IEP. 1st -3rd grade classrooms at Peterson have an inclusion classroom that has a special education teacher in the classroom full time.

If parents have the resources, the school welcomes evaluations that have been completed by outside resources and can incorporate these into the evaluation process.

Upcoming Events & Announcements:

-Family Green Day (PTA event) Saturday 5/7 from 9am-12pm: Clean up the school, STEM activity table, North Park Village Nature Center activity table

-Educator Appreciation Week – May 2nd- May 6th : Parents can help by writing thank you notes to teachers. There will be a box in the main office to put thank you notes in. Parents can also help by providing treats for the teachers lounge. On Thursday, the PTA hosts a lunch. Volunteers are needed to help for times from 9am-2pm.

-Kindergarten Orientation – 6/2 at 5pm. Registration for Kindergarteners continues in the main office through May between 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

-Arabic Night (joint event with PTA & PAC) – 6/9 at 3:30pm

-Peterson will be getting a new full time nurse!

-New school website – www.peterson.cps.edu

Ideas for final PAC meeting of the school year:

- book swap & summer activities list
- How does the school handle LGBTQ related issues
- Children and the internet