

## How can you Support SEPTA?

- ▶ **Become an Active Member**
- ▶ **Attend Monthly Meetings**
- ▶ **Volunteer Your Time**
- ▶ **Support Our Fundraisers**
- ▶ **Keep Informed, Spread the News!**

### **OBTAINING INFORMATION**

The NYS Education Department publishes *A Parent's Guide to Special Education in New York State*. You may obtain a copy by contacting:

*Long Island Regional Office*  
NYS Education Department  
VESID Special Education Quality Assurance  
The Kellum Educational Center  
887 Kellum Street  
Lindenhurst, NY 11757  
(631) 884-8530  
(631) 884-8540 (fax)

Or, download the publication directly from the following site:

<http://www.vesid.nysed.gov/specialed/publications/policy/parentguide.htm>

You may also contact your school district's Committee on Special Education Chairperson:

**Farmingdale Office of Special Education**  
50 Van Cott Avenue  
Farmingdale, New York 11735  
(516) 752-6591  
**Director, Special Education:**  
Mr. Donald Cassidy  
**CSE Chairperson 6-12:**  
Ms. Susan Dorfman  
[www.farmingdaleschools.org](http://www.farmingdaleschools.org)

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## WHAT IS SEPTA?

SEPTA is a district-wide Special Education Parent Teacher Association which meets monthly to ensure a free appropriate public education for children with special needs.

SEPTA meets to share relevant information and offer support to those who are involved with children with special needs.

## WHAT ARE ITS GOALS?

➤ To ensure each special needs child receives the best possible free appropriate public education, resulting in the child reaching his or her full potential.

➤ To encourage children with special needs to participate in regular education programs as much as possible.

➤ To bring together parents, teachers, administrators, therapists and friends of children with varying needs in order to share their experiences and expertise.

➤ To keep parents informed of issues and changes in the laws affecting their children.

➤ To familiarize parents with the Committee on Special Education (CSE) and its process of identification, placement and provision of programs for children with special needs.

➤ To educate the community at large about the need for Special Education Programs.

## WHO ARE SEPTA MEMBERS?

Parents, Teachers, Administrators, Therapists, members of other PTAs . . . In short, ANYONE interested in improving the quality of a special needs child's life and education. Join SEPTA as well as your school's PTA unit.

## FARMINGDALE SEPTA

### EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

#### Co-Presidents

Roz Pellegrino • Mary Warshauer

#### 1st Vice President

Michelle Lisi

#### 2nd Vice President

Stacey Tranchina

#### Treasurer

Terri Morrison

#### Recording Secretary

LeaAnn Mucci

#### Corresponding Secretary

Keri O'Flynn

#### Council Delegates

Lynda Corey • Andrea Chrissides

## COMMITTEES

#### Membership Chairperson

Jean Brown

#### Speaker Chairperson

TBA

#### Fundraising Chairperson

Andrea Chrissides

## IT IS EASY TO JOIN FARMINGDALE SEPTA!

**Please return the membership envelope with \$8.00 in dues to the main office of any Farmingdale school.**

## “NEW MEETING LOCATION”



## SEPTA MEETING DATES 2009 - 2010

Wednesday, September 23, 2009

Wednesday, October 21, 2009

Monday, November 16, 2009

No Meeting in December

Monday, January 11, 2010

No Meeting in February

Monday, March 8, 2010

Monday, April 12, 2010

Wednesday, May 12, 2010

Monday, June 14, 2010 *Installation Dinner*

Wednesday, June 9, 2010  
*SEPTA Awards Ceremony  
Saltzman East Memorial*

SEPTA WREATH SALE  
Friday, December 4, 2009  
Saturday, December 5, 2009

SEPTA PLANT SALE AT  
WOODWARD PARKWAY  
Thursday, May 6, 2010