

who we are

The Framingham Special Education Parent Advisory Council (F-SEPAC) is run by parents who are **concerned** about the special needs of children in the Framingham schools. We are a district-wide **resource** to parents/ guardians of children with special needs. The F-SEPAC is **mandated** and **supported** by Massachusetts law. We are a **united voice** for special needs children and considered an **advisory committee** to the Framingham school district and its Special Education Department.

our mission

Our mission is to work for the understanding, respect, and support of all children with special needs in Framingham.

www.F-SEPAC.org

our events for 2009 - 2010

With a 48-hour notice, we will make every attempt to provide interpreters for foreign languages and ASL.

***We are offering professional development points (PDPs) for these programs to ALL teachers**

***We also offer a Certificate of Attendance to anyone who would like one.**

Please check our web site for the most up-to-date event information.

Feb 28 - 3rd Annual Summer Camp and Recreation Expo for Children with Special Needs. Framingham High School Cafeteria, 115 A Street, Framingham 12 to 3pm. Click here for more information.

***March 4 - Understanding Autism and How Research Can Help, Dr. Martha Herbert** www.transcendresearch.org - at the Barbieri School Cafetorium, 100 Dudley Road, Framingham, MA from 7-9 pm. Preview Autism Presentation

March 25 - SPECIAL EVENT - Discussion and Q&A with the Superintendent of the Framingham Public Schools, King Building, 454 Water Street, Framingham, Demairis Room from 7-9 pm.

***April 8 - Navigating Changes: PreK to High School - Turning Three, Inter-School Changes from PreK to Elementary School to Middle School to High School.** Three presentations, Cameron Middle School 215 Elm Street, Framingham from 7-9 pm.

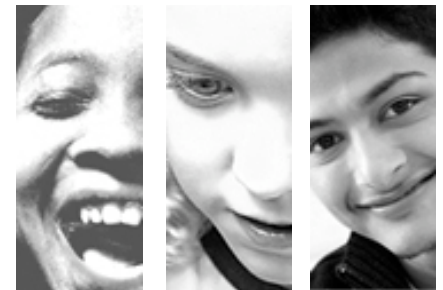
***May 13 - Sexuality and Children with Disabilities or C.A.S.T. - Universal Design for Learning.** <http://www.cast.org/research/udl/index.html> - King Building, 454 Water Street, Framingham, MA from 7-9 pm.

Please our web site for updates, cancellations, and updated PDP information.

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**for parents and guardians
of school-aged children
with special needs**

what we do

- We **assist** families to effectively participate in the special education process by hosting informative events and making resources available to them.
- We **advise** the Framingham school administration and Director of Special Education on special education issues.
- We **acknowledge** school professionals by offering professional development points for some of our events.

how we do it

- We **host** monthly workshops, presentations and discussions for families and professionals.
- We **meet** regularly with the Director of Special Education and other school administrators.
- We **support** parents and guardians of children with special needs by hosting a monthly support group.
- We **communicate** via our Yahoo Groups newsletter, website, brochures, library, email and telephone. We have our brochures in Spanish and Portuguese as well as a page in each language on our website.

how we can help you

- Let us know who you are and what you need.
- Attend our monthly events. (see back of flier)
- Attend our monthly support group.
- Visit our website to get helpful information.
- Join our Yahoo Groups newsletter <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/F-SEPAC/>
- Use our F-SEPAC library at Annie's Bookshop, Nobscot Shopping Center, 774 Water Street, Framingham. A complete list of contents is on our website.

how you can help us

- Become a **member** - Membership is free and open to all people concerned about Framingham's children with special needs and learning differences.
- Become a **volunteer** - We are looking for the following:
 - Framingham Public School Liaisons (one for each school)
 - Liaison for Spanish speaking community
 - Liaison for Portuguese speaking community
 - Liaison to Non Public Schools in Framingham
 - Outreach to Framingham Town Government
- If you have any other talents or resources that you would like to contribute to the F-SEPAC, please let us know.

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