

# Westwood SEPAC

SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL



Our mission is to work for the understanding of, respect for, and support of children of all abilities in our community.

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## What is a SEPAC?

- State -mandated, parent-run group working to promote a network of parents, guardians, and caregivers of children with special needs.
- Partners with the Director of Student Services and the School Committee on policies.
- Receives input from parents, teachers, providers, and others to encourage understanding, acceptance, and inclusion of all special education students.

## SEPAC Board:

Megan Brenk & Meggan Flaherty, Co-chairs

Angela Pomarole & Aravind Movva, Co-Secretaries

Kelly Anderson & Jennifer Ellis, Co-Treasurers

**Website:** [www.westwoodsepac.org](http://www.westwoodsepac.org)

**Closed Facebook Group:** Westwood SEPAC-Special Education Parent Advisory Council

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# Westwood SEPAC: 2018 - 2019 Events

Month	SEPAC EVENTS
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Charlie Appelstein</li><li>• District Overview of Special Education Services</li></ul>
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Evening Parent Support Social</li></ul>
November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Massachusetts Anti-Bullying Law</li></ul>
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Parent Support Coffee</li></ul>
January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Inclusive Schools Week Movie</li><li>• Transition Workshop</li></ul>
February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Basic Rights In Special Education</li></ul>
March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• My Role on IEP Team</li><li>• Self Care: Yoga &amp; Mindfulness</li></ul>
April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Autism &amp; Law Enforcement Education Coalition</li><li>• Executive Functioning</li><li>• Parent Support Coffee</li></ul>
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Raising Your Child on the Spectrum (AANE/Aspire)</li></ul>
June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ice Cream &amp; Popsicle Family Social</li></ul>

# Ice Cream & Popsicle Social

**Sunday June 2, 2019  
2:00 PM -4:00 PM  
Downey Elementary School  
Playground**

**Connect with other local families who  
have children receiving special  
education support services.**



**The kids can play while we socialize.  
All ages welcome!**

**RSVP: [westwoodsepac@gmail.com](mailto:westwoodsepac@gmail.com) or on the Facebook Event**

# Westwood SEPAC: District Advocacy

Bullying: Identified need for district-wide consistency in guiding parents/caretakers on how to report bullying & investigation process