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Riverhead SEPTA

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Facebook Group: Riverhead SEPTA

Mission: K-12

To **educate** and **support** parents, teachers and our community about the needs of our special children, so that each child is able to reach their fullest potential. SEPTA will bridge the gap between regular and special education through knowledge, in order to promote **acceptance** of people with special needs.

Upcoming Events

March 11

RCSD Board of Education Meeting 7pm Riverhead High School: 2014-2015 Special Education Budget Presentation by Ms. Nancy Carney, Superintendent

March 18

Parent Support Group 7:30pm at Riverhead Panera Bread

April 2

General Meeting 7pm @ Riley Avenue School Cafeteria . Topic: <u>Hot Topicsq</u> Guest: Elizabeth Chappell, RCSD Special Ed Director and Dave Renahan, RCSD Asst. Special Ed Director

Announcements:

- Upcoming LI Region 5 Front Door Training will be Tuesday March 18, 2014 7pm-9pm AND Thursday April 10, 2014 10am-12pm in Hauppauge. Registration 631-434-6000/6100
- It is CPSE/CSE Season. Please review your child recent evaluations and reports. Meet with his/her Teacher and Support Staff prior to CPSE/CSE.
- If you need help in organizing your childs Master File please contact Stacy Nespoli (SEPTA Member) <u>sdnespoli@gmail.com</u>
- Senior Scholarship Award Applications and Nominating forms are to be submitted by April 18, 2014

Riverhead Special Education Parent Teacher Association



Questions & Comments:

Parent Support Groups have been at a low attendance. If you are interested but are unable to attend please let us know why and how we can help.

Any suggestions about meetings, events, support please contact Arlene Gagliano at amgagliano@aol.com

Need something to do with the kids? One of our moms (Dawn Betke) is the editor of Riverhead Macaroni Kid. Please check out the website at: http://riverhead.macaronikid.com/

FASST (Food and Allergy Safety Support Team)

Mission: To **Inform**, **Educate** and **Support** <u>All</u> who are part of RCSD. To form a unity to those who struggle with severe allergies and those who do not.

Questions or Comments Stacy Nespoli @ <u>fasst.eastend@gmail.com</u>

Facebook Group: fasst.eastend

Visit our page on SEPTA website

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March 5, 2014 7 manual reschool+Guest: Carolyn Gammerman, LI Early Childhood Direction Center

Student Recognition: Attention Teachers, Therapists and Support Staff

We are now accepting nominations for student recognition. Any accomplishment that your student has achieved, no matter how small it may be, let us know.

Email the student(s) name, grade, school, nominating staff member and what you are recognizing them for. Send emails to : Stacy Nespoli at <u>sdnespoli@gmail.com</u>

Teacher Spotlight: Attention Parents

If your childs teacher, therapist or support staff has gone above and beyond, made your child feel extra special or you just want to say ±hank youqlet us know.

Email the teacher or staff member(s) name, grade and school with a brief note why you appreciate them. Send emails to: Stacy Nespoli at <u>sdnespoli@gmail.com</u>

Final Note:

This is our first edition of the SEPTA Newsletter. We hope you have enjoyed it. Each month we will distribute out to our Special Education Teachers, Staff and Classrooms. We will also post this on SEPTAc website and Facebook page.

I would like to say **T**hank youqto the <u>SEPTA Board</u> for allowing me to put this together. We understand that not everyone can make it to meetings or even knows what we are about.

<u>To our parents:</u> Thank youqfor your continued support. Keep spreading the word. Always remember we are here for one another.

<u>To our teachers and administrators:</u> #Thank youqfor all of the hard work you have done. Your support and understanding is greatly appreciated.

<u>Finally to our children:</u> **HANK YOUqfor giving us a new and amazing perspective of this world we live in.** Seeing life through your eyes is absolutely breath taking. You are our future and we are all proud of each and every one of you.

Have a great month!!

Sincerely, Stacy Nespoli

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