**March 15, 2018**

**Atlantic City Board of Education**

**Office of Student Services**

Dear Parents/Guardians;

My Name is Pamela Hennelly, Director of Special Education and Student Services for the Atlantic City School District. I would like to start a SEPAG, Special Education Parent Advisory Group, in our school district. This is a volunteer group which is open to parents, teachers, Child Study Team members, administrators, members of the Board of Education and interested community members. The purpose of this group is to provide an opportunity for parents to give input to the school district regarding students with disabilities.

**Each board of Education shall ensure that a special education parent advisory group is in place in the district to provide input to the district on issues concerning students with disabilities. {Subchapter 6A:14-1.2, paragraph (h))**

The purpose of this letter is to ask for your help and consideration in joining members of our school staff and community to examine the issues, concerns and successes involving our special education programs and students.

The date of the SEPAG meeting will be Wednesday, May 16, 2018 at 8:30 to 9:30 at the Uptown School Complex, 323 Madison Ave, Atlantic City. Please fill out the attached survey to let me know that you will be attending and what you would like to see be part of our SEPAG.

Thank You! Pam Hennelly

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**SEPAG SURVEY**

The Atlantic City Public School's Special Education Parent Action Group (SEPAG) is looking to establish a partnership based on cooperation and mutual understanding between parents and the school district to create a supportive and educated parent community. Your Input in this partnership is crucial. **Please fill out this survey and return it back to your child/children's classroom instructor by April *30,* 2018.**

All responses will be anonymous and confidential.

1. Do you have any goals in mind for the SEPAG?

2. What program subjects would you like SEPAG to address?

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| [ ] Social Skills | [ ] Independence/Self Advocacy |
| [ ] Self-Esteem/Managing Stress | [ ] Anger/Frustration  |
| [ ] Attention Disorder | [ ] Autism Spectrum |
| [ ] Related Services (Occupational, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy) | [ ] Implementing Reading Strategies at Home |
| [ ] Implementing Math Strategies at Home | [ ] Homework Strategies |
| [ ] Developmental Disabilities | [ ] Learning Disabilities |
| [ ] Special Education Rights | [ ] IEP/504 |
| [ ] Inclusion | [ ] Transition from High School |

3. What is your child's area of disability? Check all that apply.

[ ] Language Arts/Literacy

[ ] Math

[ ] Social Skills

[ ] Homework [ ] Behavioral [ ] Emotional

[ ] Cognitive [ ] Other

4. What grade level applies to your situation?

[ ] Preschool [ ] Elementary [ ] Middles School [ ] High School