## Littleton Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) Update October 2020

Dear Families.

A big **Thank You** to those who were able to come to our first online SEPAC planning meeting on 10/14! We "met" and heard from several parents, and feel encouraged and off to a good start! We also want to thank Lyn Snow, our new Director of Pupil Services, and Brad Austin, our SEPAC School Committee representative, for getting the word out to the community and their ongoing support and collaboration.

Below is more information about what a SEPAC is, what we are working on, and what we need help with. We welcome your questions, ideas, concerns, and feedback, and invite you to email us at <u>Littletonsepacilt@gmail.com</u>. This email is coming from the districts mailing list, but please email us on <u>Littletonsepacilt@gmail.com</u> if you want to be on the SEPAC mailing list.

SEPACs are run and led by parents and guardians, and we hope Littleton SEPAC will be a safe and inclusive space to find support from other parents, share feedback and resources. It also has an important role in being a bridge between parents and district, bringing parents voices to the table and adding to the school district's dialogue and decision-making in regards to special education. We hope you will add your voice!

Right now we're in an interim period, where we will be working on establishing the official SEPAC. We need to establish new bylaws, make parents aware of the effort, and hold elections. We need your help making Littleton SEPAC a strong SEPAC, and below are some things we need help with right now:

- Be a SEPAC liaison at your child's school, or if your child is out-of-district, be an Out-of-District parent liaison. A SEPAC liaison is the point of contact for other parents/guardians with children receiving special education and helps connect them to the broader SEPAC community and resources. The SEPAC liaison also updates the principal with information about SEPAC resources, workshops, speakers, events and meetings. It is a rewarding job to be able to help and connect with other parents and guardians, and to be part of making our schools a great place to learn and grow.
- If you love social media, writing, marketing, or other skills you think will work well, help make the SEPAC Facebook page a good resource for Littleton parents/guardians.
- Let us know if you would like to be part of the group **scheduling and hosting programs**. Tasks are varied and all skills welcomed.

We are all busy parents, and we all have limits on our time, so please know that any time you can allocate to SEPAC will be treasured and appreciated.

If you are interested, or have questions about any of above, or want to be on our mailing list, email us at <a href="mailto:littletonsepacilt@gmail.com">littletonsepacilt@gmail.com</a>, or join us at the next SEPAC meeting:

Tuesday November 10th @ 7pm

Google Meet (link to join): <a href="https://meet.google.com/tfr-fdqh-ndk">https://meet.google.com/tfr-fdqh-ndk</a>

Join by phone: (US) +1 262-682-3670 PIN: 969 152 576#

Best regards, The SEPAC Interim Team