



PTA Special Needs Committee

Who We Are

The PTA Special Needs Committee seeks to foster collaboration between parents, teachers, the schools, and the community to support children with special needs. Many schools have a Special Needs Committee Representative on their local PTA who represents the school on our council committee, provides information back to the school, and may plan programs or get-acquainted gatherings for the school site. Your local Special Needs Committee Representative is: [\(fill in rep's contact info here!\)](#)

What We Do

- Provide information and support to parents, teachers, and district staff so they can help maximize the potential of children with special needs.
- Help ALL children understand and appreciate challenges faced by children with special needs.
- Work legislatively to secure and retain adequate laws and funding for children with special needs.

As part of our educational outreach, we are planning a valuable array of programs to provide support for parents and educators of children with special needs for the 2009-10 school year:

- ❖ **Evening Programs:** Several evening programs will be offered throughout the year, on various topics relevant to children ages birth through high school.
- ❖ **Annual Parenting Conference:** We will arrange a variety of breakout sessions for the annual Parenting Conference in late winter/early spring of 2010. Please look for conference information later in the fall.

Join our e-mail Distribution List

We e-mail information regarding our upcoming programs through the SRV Council Special Needs Lyris list. To check if you are on this list, go to www.srvcouncilpta.org and select "Lyris Profile Form" at the top. If you haven't ever updated your profile, click "new user." Once you are logged in, you will see a list of your current subscriptions and another list of available subscriptions, listed by school name. The special needs list is under SRV Council of PTAs. Click on the arrow next to the name of the council lists to which you wish to subscribe, then click on "save changes" near the top.

The Special Needs Committee also maintains a web site. Go to www.srvcouncilpta.org, click on "Special Needs Committee" on the left hand side and scroll down to view our page. The page includes information about our events as well as events and resources from other organizations dedicated to special needs issues.

If you would like information on special needs events at your school, please fill out the form below and return it at registration. It will be shared with your school's PTA Special Needs Representative.

Name _____ Phone # _____

E-mail _____ School(s) _____

Address _____

Please print legibly (particularly e-mail addresses)