

# Purpose



The purpose of the Committee is to provide input to the Margate school district on issues concerning students with special needs as well as students that follow Section 504. The mission of the committee is to foster understanding of, respect for and support all children with special needs in the community. To these ends, the Committee will:

- Provide parent-to-parent support including a network of parents of children with special needs.
- The Committee will educate parents by providing resources and specific information that portrays to their children's success in school.
- Foster a collaborative relationship between parents and District staff on the operation and development of special services programs, parent and teacher needs.
- Promote communication and programs within the community to encourage understanding, acceptance and inclusion.
- Provide information forums to parents, educators, students and professionals .

New Jersey Administrative Code 6A:14-1.2(h) states that: “each district 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.”



## Parent Co-Chair Contacts

If you would like to volunteer to lead this parent group, please reach out to Mrs. Stack at the email below.

## School Liaison

Mrs. Christy Stack [cstack@margateschools.org](mailto:cstack@margateschools.org)

## Margate School District Special Services Parent Advisory Committee

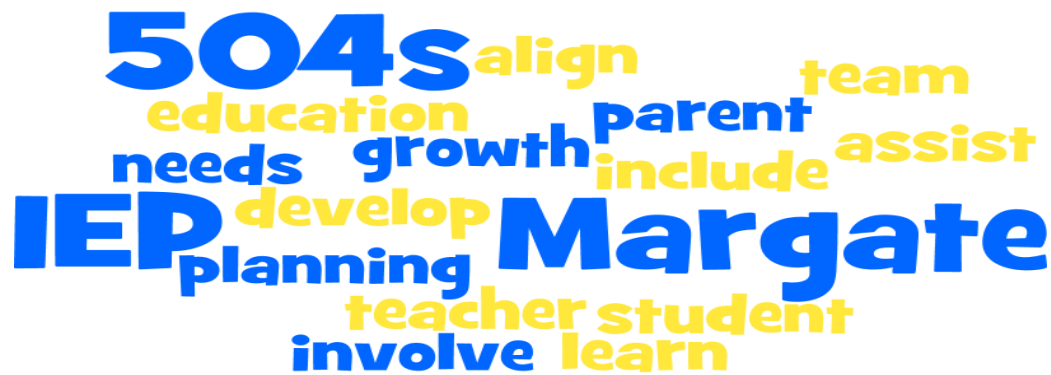
### MSSPAC



### Why Parent Advisory?

*Bringing our parents together to collaborate, discuss and gain resources to improve outcomes for our Special Education and 504 students. The committee provides direct input on the programs and practices that impact services and supports for children with disabilities and their families.*

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*Margate Special Services Parent Advisory  
Committee (MSSPAC) Membership*

**2017-18 Meeting Schedule**

- **October 25th-** Parent Meet and Greet 7pm Ross Media Center
- **January 29th-** Presenter-Topic to be determined
- **February 22nd -** Expo Fair 7:00  
Northfield Community School Cafeteria
- **April 25th-** Presentation: IEP/504s Development
- **June 4th-** Parent Wrap up –Tighe Media Center

Your participation in our regularly scheduled meetings will provide you a unique opportunity to meet school officials and other parents, stay informed on policy and legislative changes, ask questions, discuss issues, and learn something new. Your input into potential speaker topics and other SEPAC initiatives of particular interest is welcome. Please join us at an upcoming meeting.

**Special Education  
Resources**

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- State Parent Advocacy Network of NJ (SPANNJ)  
[www.spannj.org](http://www.spannj.org)  
[www.spanadvocacy.org](http://www.spanadvocacy.org)
- Autism New Jersey  
[www.autismnj.org](http://www.autismnj.org)
- 21 Down  
[www.21down.org](http://www.21down.org)
- Faces 4 Autism  
[www.21down.org](http://www.21down.org)
- Dyslexia  
[www.decodingdyslexia.net](http://www.decodingdyslexia.net)
- National Center for Learning Disabilities  
[www.nclld.org](http://www.nclld.org)
- ADHD  
[www.chadd.org](http://www.chadd.org)
- Interactive Kids  
<http://interactivekids.net/>