

### Meeting Dates

**2007-2008 School Year**

10/17/07, 11/28/07,

12/12/07, 1/16/08, 2/27/08,

3/19/08, 4/16/08, 5/21/08, 6/4/08

All meetings will take place  
in the High School Library, 7pm

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### Parent Resources

Massachusetts Arc  
217 South Street  
Waltham, MA 02453  
(781) 891-6270

Mass. Association of Special Education  
Parent Advisory Councils  
(MASSPAC)  
P.O. Box 167  
Sharon, MA 02067 (617) 962-4558

### Government Agencies

U.S. Office for Civil Rights  
U.S. Department of Education  
J.W. McCormack P.O.C.H., Room 707  
Boston, MA 02109  
(617) 223-9662 Fax (617) 223-9669

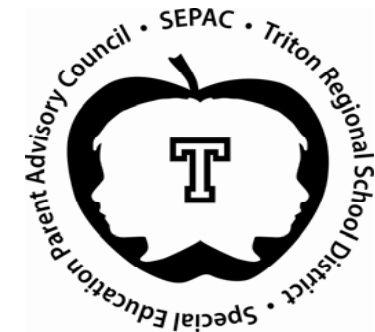
Massachusetts Department  
of Education (DOE)  
350 Main Street  
Malden, MA 02148 (781) 338-3000

Bureau of Special Education Appeals  
350 Main Street  
Malden, MA 02148  
(781) 338-6400  
[www.doe.mass.edu/sped](http://www.doe.mass.edu/sped)

Federation for Children with  
Special Needs  
1135 Tremont St. Suite 420  
Boston, MA 02120 (800) 331-0688  
[www.FCSN.org](http://www.FCSN.org)

**Triton Regional  
School District**

# **PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**



**Special Education Department**

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# PURPOSE

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# PAC



## MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Triton Regional School District Special Education Parent Advisory Council is to work for understanding of, respect for, and support of all children with special needs in the community. To that end, we will work to :

- promote a network of parents of children with special needs, and provide the forum to share information.
- advise the Administrator of Pupil Services and School Committee on operations and development of special education programs, parent and teacher training needs, and help to develop policy.
- promote communication between Triton Regional School District PAC members, local, state and national organizations, councils and groups.
- promote communication and programs within the community to encourage understanding, acceptance, and inclusion.
- provide information forums for parents, educators, students and professionals.

## RESPONSIBILITIES

- Further act as an advocacy group in collaboration with Triton Regional School District personnel for children with disabilities.
- Protect access to quality education for all children, especially those with disabilities.
- Seek information on policies, curricula, and laws that affect children and disseminate that information to constituents.
- Share accurate and timely information with members, parents, school district, and the community at large.
- Know, help, and interact with parents who have children with disabilities.
- Know, help, and interact with teachers and administrators.
- Accept responsibilities willingly to assure that the PAC is strong and active.
- Provide smooth transitions and continuity.
- Work both within the PAC, with PTA's, PTO's and the school district in a constructive manner, maintaining respect for democratic procedures and a tolerance for the diversity of opinions.
- Work in partnership with school professionals to determine appropriate programs and services.
- Participate in decision making that affects, policies, rules, and regulations.
- Provide parents with information, advice and suggestions to enhance advocacy skills.

- Provide parent education programs and materials, facilitate parent support, and provide resources and referrals.
- Participate within school board policy in setting of special education and school goals.

## SCHOOL CONTACTS

### Triton Regional High School 978-462-8171

Principal: Kevin McLaughlin  
ETC: David Dempsey

### Triton Regional Middle School 978-463-5845

Principal: Jared Fulgoni  
ETC: Leonora Swerling

### Pine Grove School 978-948-2520

Principal: Dr. Arthur Beane  
ETC: Leonora Swerling

### Newbury Elementary School 978-465-5353

Principal: Sylvia Jordan  
ETC: Fran McConnell

### Salisbury Elementary School 978-463-5852

Principal: James Montanari  
ETC: Fran McConnell

### Out of District Schools 978-462-7490

ETC: Katherine Harris