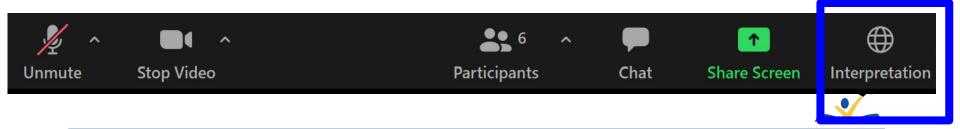
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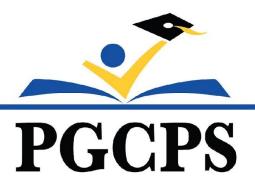
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## Special Education Updates

**SECAC Meeting** 

November 19, 2024

Trinell M. Bowman, Associate Superintendent-Special Education



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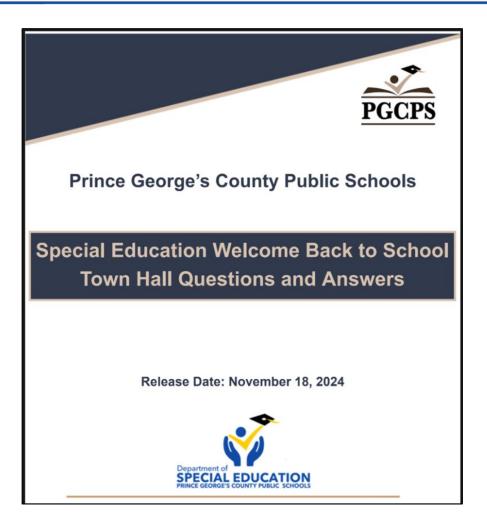
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#### **Town Hall Questions and Answers Released**



PGCPS Special
Education Welcome
Back to School Town
Hall Questions and
Answers



#### **Behavior Changes: Virtual Support Group for Families**

#### **PGCPS**



#### Department of Special Education

Family Support Center 1400 Nalley Terrace Landover, Maryland 20785 301-431-5675



#### Behavior Changes: A Virtual Support Group Based on Principles of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)

Join us to learn ways to support your child's growth! The Behavior Changes Support group will use Applied Behavior Analysis principles to help parents understand how to support their child with challenging behaviors. The group focuses on behavior – increasing skills and decreasing interfering/challenging behaviors that occur in both the home and school settings.

Facilitators: Yvonne Alleyne, BCBA, Beth Hayre, BCBA, Na'im Madyun, School Psychologist, and Family Support Center Staff

Session	Date	Time
1	Tuesday, October 29, 2024	6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
2	Thursday, November 21, 2024	6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
3	Thursday, December 19, 2024	6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
4	Thursday, January 23, 2025	6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
5	Thursday, February 20, 2025	6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
6	Thursday, March 27, 2025	6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
7	Thursday, April 10, 2025	6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
8	Thursday, May 22, 2025	6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
9	Thursday, June 12, 2025	6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Please follow this link to REGISTER or call 301.431.5675



**QR Code** 





#### **Family Support Center Book Study**

The Family Support Center will host a 10-session series to increase parent engagement in the Individualized Education Program (IEP) Team meeting. The focus will be on leveraging strengths to build capacity. Parents will participate in a book study and explore topics in special education. The sessions will be synchronous (virtual) and asynchronous (on your own).

Interested participants are asked to complete this short interest survey. This series is limited to 20 participants. Participants must agree to participate in all sessions. Complete your interest survey today: Interest Survey- Book Study

Interest Survey
QR Code



All sessions are held from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

All sessions are field from 0.30 p.m. – 0.00 p.m.			
Date	Topic	Format	
December 5, 2024 Session 1	Purpose of the group Setting the stage- Strength Finders Pre-survey (self-efficacy/stress inventory)	Zoom	
December	Book Study Chapters	Asynchronous (Learning on your own)	
January 9, 2025 Session 2	Book Study Discussion/ Progress Monitoring	Zoom	
January	Procedural Safeguards	Asynchronous (Learning on your own)	
January 30, 2025 Session 3	The IEP Process/ Book Study Discussion	Zoom	
February	Transition	Asynchronous (Learning on your own)	
March 6, 2025 Session 4	Book Study Discussion Collaboration and Advocacy	Zoom	
April 24, 2025 Session 5	Grief and Loss	Zoom	
April	Mental Health	Asynchronous (Learning on your own)	
May 8, 2025 <b>Session 6</b>	Self-Care	Zoom	



#### **SECAC Meeting Dates and Areas of Focus**

**December - NO MEETING** 

January 28, 2025 - SECAC Parent Town Hall Meeting 2

February 25, 2025 - School Transitions and Resources for School Transitions

March 25, 2025 - SECAC Parent Town Hall Meeting 3

April 22, 2025 - Autism and Mental Health Awareness

May 27, 2025 - SECAC Parent Town Hall Meeting 4





#### **Inclusive Week: Together We Are Better**

The Arc Maryland, Maryland State Department of Education, Maryland Department of Disabilities, and the Maryland Developmental Disabilities Council have partnered on our statewide "Together We're Better" (TWB) inclusive education campaign since 2004.

The TWB campaign exists to raise awareness and increase acceptance of everyone, highlighting the value and importance of meaningful inclusion for students with disabilities.

The primary components of the program are: Diversity Celebration Toolkit Contains activity ideas, sample lesson plans for teachers, videos, books, and other resources to promote inclusion and full participation for all students.

Maryland will participate in the National Inclusive Schools Week (December 5 - 9, 2024)



**Diversity Celebration Toolkit** 

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#### **Disability Issues Advisory Board (DIAB)**

The Board of Education creates a Disability Issues Advisory Board (DIAB). The first meeting was held on November 6, 2024.

- A. DIAB shall report annually to the Board providing information on the following issues, as well as other related issues which may arise during the course of the Advisory Board's work, along with any recommendations to address compliance matters:
  - Implementation of Board policies regarding access for individuals with disabilities at all Prince George's County Public School System facilities to the extent feasible;
  - Proposed new school construction; and,
  - Employment and hiring issues

For information please review the <u>Board Policy 1700 - Disability Issues</u> <u>Advisory Board.pdf</u>.

#### Special Education Resolution Team Contact List

### **PGCPS**

#### Who to Call:





**DSE SY 2024-2025 Resolution Team Contact List** 



#### **Family Support Center Listsery!**

#### **Stay Informed!**

#### Join the PGCPS Special Education Family Support Center Listserv!

Please sign up today to receive information on workshops, events, and conferences. You will also receive our Family Support newsletters so you can stay connected!

Sign up here: <u>ListServ registration</u>

Community Events,
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Fairs, Workshops,
Resources & Information





## Need us to Contact You? Family Support Center

If you have an individual concern you need to discuss with the Family Support Center (FSC), please use the QR code <a href="here">here</a>:





#### **Contact Information**

For additional information, please contact:

Associate Superintendent for Special Education <a href="mailto:trinell.bowman@pgcps.org">trinell.bowman@pgcps.org</a>
301-618-8355