

SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT RESOURCE CENTER MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

PULSE POINTS: NEWS & UPDATES

WHAT IS SEAC?

The Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC), endorsed by the school board, plays a crucial role in enhancing our special education programs. Its responsibilities include advising the superintendent and school board on the needs of students with disabilities, developing strategies, and reviewing policies. The committee is composed of parents, guardians, family members, individuals with disabilities, public agency representatives, interested citizens, and a teacher as a voting member, with other school personnel acting as consultants. SEAC holds open bi-monthly meetings at King's Fork Middle School, with the **next session scheduled for Wednesday, January 17, 2024, from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm**. We encourage all interested parties to attend and contribute to this vital discussion.



PARENT RESOURCE CENTER CONTACT INFORMATION

Located in Room 305:

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Hours:

Monday 10-2 Tuesday 9-1
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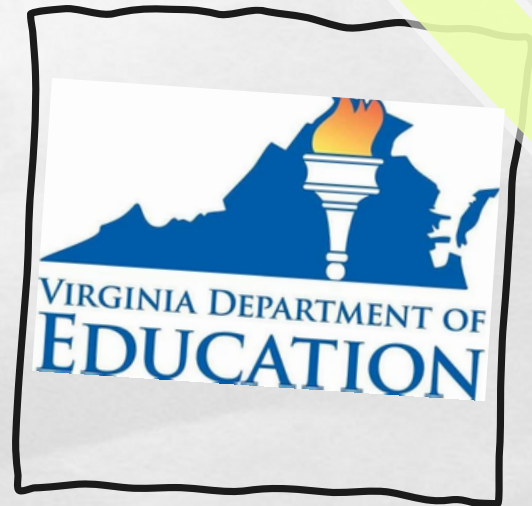
- **Vision:** Creating a future where every child's unique abilities are recognized and nurtured, facilitated by informed parents and a supportive educational community.
- **Mission:** To equip and guide parents through the special education journey by providing essential resources, expert advice, and a supportive community, ensuring each student's academic and personal success.
- **Values:**
Empowerment * Collaboration * Inclusivity

PULSE POINTS: RESOURCES & TOOLS

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VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION WEBSITE

Our [Virginia Department of Education \(VDOE\) website](#) is a treasure trove of information, offering an array of helpful resources tailored for special education. From in-depth guides to informative videos, everything is designed to provide you with the support and knowledge you need. The website is user-friendly and easy to navigate, ensuring you have quick and convenient access to a vast range of materials right at your fingertips. Visit now to explore and benefit from these valuable resources!



PULSE POINTS: EQUIP & ENGAGE

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UPCOMING CONNECTIONS

Wednesday, December 6th @ 6:30 PM: Navigating state disability services can be difficult, time-consuming, and overwhelming. This workshop explains Virginia's Medicaid Waivers, eligibility for services, and how to obtain this state benefit.

[Zoom Registration](#)

Friday, December 8th @ 6:30 - 8:30 PM: Adaptive fine and performing arts program at King's Fork High School will be having a Winter Celebration of music. This is the first year of this program in SPS and we are delighted that the students have come so far! Please come and support our wonderful KFHS students!

[Click here to see the flyer.](#)

Saturday, December 9th @ 6:00 PM: Signing Santa is coming! Families with children who are deaf and hard of hearing are invited to a holiday celebration. Join us for fun activities, a holiday story, music, & a visit with Santa & Mrs. Claus!

[Click here to see the flyer.](#)

December 2023: Check out the City of Suffolk's Event Page for family friendly events throughout the month of December.

[Click here to see upcoming events.](#)



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