

Why a Special Education PTSA?

In order to advocate more effectively for all students (birth— age 21) with disabilities in the Seattle School District, a group of parents started the Seattle Special Education PTSA in Spring 2006.

We work in partnership with local school-based PTA/PTSAs and seek to meet the needs of families involved in special education. At times the special needs of disabled students exceed the services provided by their local schools. The Seattle Special Education PTSA strives to improve services at both the building and district levels.

Seattle Special Education PTSA



**A parent, teacher, student association
(PTSA) serving students with disabilities,
their parents and teachers throughout
the Seattle School District**

Who We Are

Members are Seattle area parents, educators, friends of, and students with disabilities.

We strive to be a racially and socio-economically inclusive group that is representative of the students we serve.

Like any typical PTA/PTSA, we are a self-governing membership association whose purpose is to serve the needs of its members. We are affiliated with both the National and Washington State PTAs.

Our Mission Navigate, Improve, Build

- To assist families of students with disabilities as they navigate the educational system.
- To partner with parents and educators as we advocate for improvements in the delivery of special education system services.
- To build bridges between the general and special education communities in order to bring increased educational resources and opportunities for all students.

Benefits of Membership

- Share resources, experiences and ideas with families managing special education services.
- Increase knowledge of your children's and families' rights and of ways to advocate effectively for your children. Guest speakers with relevant expertise are invited to meetings.
- Join other families in advocating for system-wide improvements that would benefit all students in Seattle Schools.
- Stay current on relevant topics and events via our monthly electronic newsletters and our website.



For More Information

If you would like more information about this organization, please contact us at seattlespedpts@gmail.com or visit our website at SeattleSpecialEdPTSA.org.

Please Join Us

To become a member of the Seattle Special Education PTSA, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, please complete the following form:

_____ Number of **General Memberships** at \$14/individual

_____ Number of **Educator Memberships** at \$10/individual

_____ **Sponsor an Educator** @ \$10/educator:

Name: _____

School: _____

Email: _____

_____ Additional donation

_____ Company matching funds
(please attach company form)

_____ I'm interested in how I can further participate in this PTSA.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Student's School: _____

Make checks payable to "Seattle Special Education PTSA." Mail completed form and check to:

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