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Got a question or concern? Contact us!

QPAC is a proud member of:

MassPAC

A statewide network of special education parent advisory councils and the professionals who collaborate with them.

A.P.P.L.E.

Advancing Parent-Professional Leadership in Education, a 3-day institute whose goal is to build strong and effective parent-professional collaboration.

Quincy Drug Task Force

A multi-disciplinary collaboration designed to promote community awareness, education, prevention, and treatment of substance abuse in the city of Quincy.

QPAC Resource Center
at Quincy High School

Parents, teachers, and others can drop by the Resource Center to access information and resources about special education and disabilities, as well as browse our growing collection of books, videos, and other materials. Visit our website for the Resource Center schedule.

Parent Resource Collection
at the Thomas Crane Public Library

Thanks to a generous donation, QPAC was able to assist the Thomas Crane Public Library with purchasing materials for the Parent Resource Collection, located in the Children's Room of the main branch. The collection includes books, videos, and other reference materials related to special education and disabilities. Make sure to stop by the library and check out a few!

Related Resources

Quincy Public Schools
www.quincypublicschools.com

Quincy Citywide Parents' Council
www.quincycitywidepto.com/

Massachusetts Department of
Elementary and Secondary Education
www.doe.mass.edu

Federation for Children with Special Needs
www.fcsn.org

MassPAC
www.masspac.org



**Quincy Parent
Advisory Council to
Special Education
(QPAC)**

*Working towards the
best education for
all students within
Quincy Public Schools*

The Quincy Parent Advisory Council to Special Education (QPAC) is a formally organized group of parents and other individuals.

The mission of QPAC is to work towards the best education for all students within the Quincy Public Schools. To this end, QPAC:

- Serves as a network for parents and others to share information and resources about special education and disabilities. We provide insight, techniques, encouragement, and support through a variety of formats and mediums.
- Collaborates with the Quincy School Committee and Quincy Public Schools to improve educational outcomes for students with disabilities. We work the Special Education Department on identifying areas of improvement and methods for addressing them.
- Promotes an educational environment where all students have equal access to programs and opportunities. We encourage the inclusion of students with disabilities in the life of the school and support their right to be educated in the least restrictive environment.
- Encourages the understanding and acceptance of students with disabilities within the community. We work with local agencies to provide activities and resources for children with disabilities and their families.
- Fulfills the requirements and duties set forth in Massachusetts special education laws and regulations.

Want to get involved with QPAC? Come to one of our meetings...

QPAC General Meetings

QPAC meets throughout the school year to discuss goals and activities, as well as special education programs, policies, and procedures. QPAC meetings are open to the public.

QPAC Committee Meetings

QPAC has several active committees working on our goals, activities, and projects. QPAC committees meet on an as-needed basis.

Presentations and Workshops

QPAC hosts periodic presentations, workshops, and events on special education and disability-related topics.

Come To Think Of It Meetings

This parent-to-parent information and support group for those raising children with challenging behaviors meets monthly throughout the school year.

Special Education Subcommittee

The purpose of the Subcommittee on Special Education is to provide the School Committee with direction on the issues and programs that affect the 1400 special education students in our school system. Special Education Subcommittee meetings are held quarterly during the school year in conjunction with QPAC and Quincy Public Schools administration.

Visit our website for meeting dates, times, and locations: www.quincypac.org.

Can't make it to a meeting? Try these ways to keep informed...

QPAC Website

Information about QPAC meetings and events, goals and activities can be found online at www.quincypac.org. Our website also features news, events, and an extensive resource collection.

QPAC E-mail List

List members receive meeting and event reminders, news, resources, ideas, and other important information. Send an e-mail to qpacboard@gmail.com to join.

QPAC Facebook Page

Our Facebook page features information about QPAC events and activities, news and resources from around the web, quick polls and informal discussions. Find us at www.facebook.com/quincypac.

QPAC Twitter Feed

Our Twitter feed has the latest updates about QPAC happenings. Follow us at www.twitter.com/quincypac.

The QPAC Resource

You will find tips, tricks, resources, and QPAC updates in periodic newsletter! Check out a copy on our website.

Individualized Assistance

Individuals with questions or concerns about QPAC or special education may contact us. We can offer information, help locate resources, and provide referrals to professionals and organizations.