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SEPAG

SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT ADVISORY GROUP

Together We Support, Together We Thrive.

October 2026

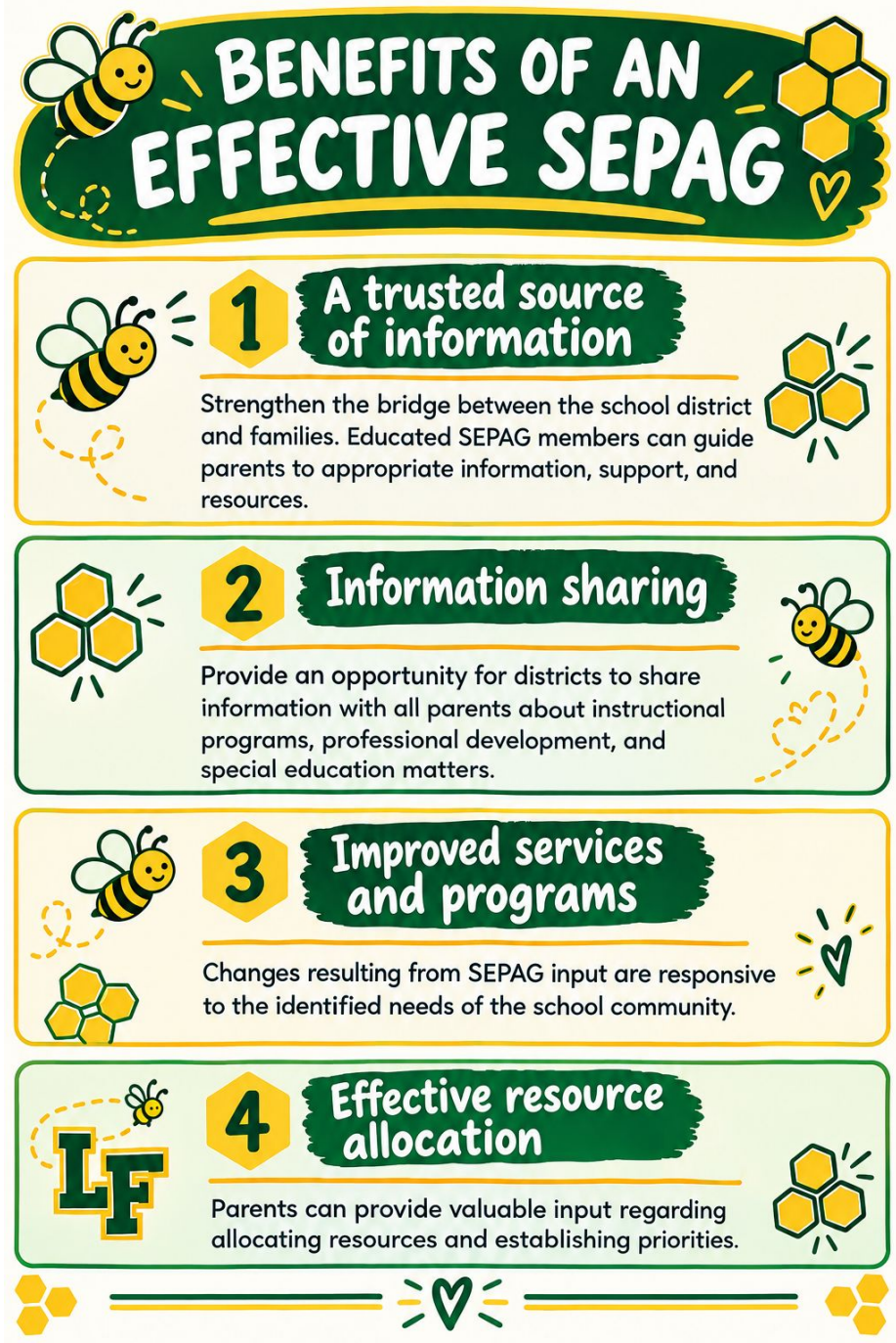
WHAT IS A SEPAG?

A Special Education Parent Advisory Group serves as a representative body on behalf of students with special educational needs and their families. This is in accordance with the state's special education mandate: *New Jersey Administrative Code 6A:14-1.2(h)*

A SEPAG (sea-pag) is a state-mandated, district-level, parent-driven group charged with providing input to the local school district. The regulation allows parents and school district leaders to create and run an advisory group that meets local needs. SEPAGs should be structured to benefit all students with disabilities, not just a single group or issue. The more inclusive a SEPAG is, the more opportunities there are to achieve positive outcomes.

OUR PURPOSE

- Serve as district SEPAG and support special education families
- Increase involvement of families of children with special needs in school activities
- Advise on issues affecting the education, health, and safety of students with special needs
- Support, educate, and mentor parents/guardians as they advocate for their children's needs
- Provide information on special education services, programs, and community resources
- Promote inclusion and acceptance of students with special needs



SEPAG is an advisory group, not a PTA committee or an individual student's IEP team.

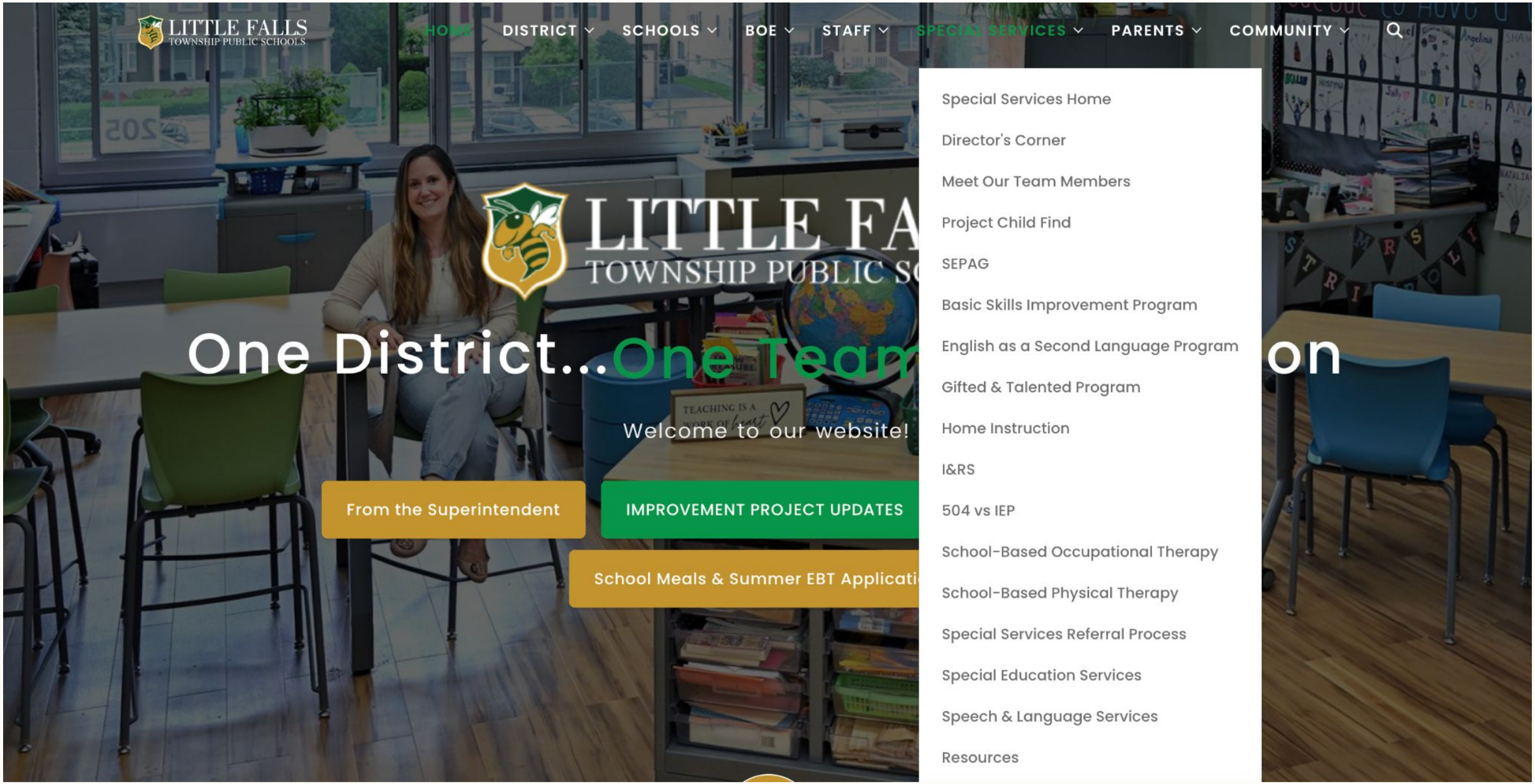
In New Jersey, it provides families with a structured opportunity to advise the district on special education policies, programs, and practices.

SYSTEMIC ISSUES VS. INDIVIDUAL ADVOCACY

What is the difference between an "individual issue" and a "systemic issue"?

Often, parents bring a perspective based on personal experiences with their own child. Taking action on behalf of a single child is individual advocacy. While this is important, the goal of the SEPAG is to focus on systemic issues – challenges and opportunities that affect more than one student or family.

***Parents should raise concerns or questions about an individual student with the child's case manager or the school principal.**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Learning Disabilities & Dyslexia Awareness Month

Different Brains, Different Strengths!

TWO DISTRICT-WIDE SPIRIT DAYS

MONDAY 10/19

MINDFUL MONDAY

Peace, Love & UNIFIED!

WEAR TIE-DYE!

Everyone's brain learns differently!

Just like every bee has an important job in the hive, every learner brings unique strengths, talents, and ways of thinking.

Mindful Message:

There is more than one way to learn, solve a problem, create, and succeed!

Hive Challenge: Look for a strength in yourself or someone else today!

Fun Fact:

Your brain can make new connections throughout your life when you practice, learn, and try new things. This ability is called ***neuroplasticity!***

TUESDAY 10/20

Think Differently Tuesday!

Be Aware of Dyslexia!

WEAR BLUE!

Celebrate Different Ways of Thinking

Dyslexia is a learning difference that can affect reading, spelling, and processing written language. People with dyslexia can also have strengths in areas such as creative thinking, problem-solving, visual reasoning, and seeing connections in unique ways.

Today We Will...

Learn about a famous person with dyslexia and discover ways of thinking can be a strength!

Fun Fact:

The word "dyslexia" comes from Greek roots meaning "difficulty with words/language." Dyslexia is not a lack of intelligence—it is a different way the brain processes language.

OUR HIVE IS STRONGER WHEN

EVERY BEE IS INCLUDED!

DIFFERENT BRAINS • DIFFERENT STRENGTHS • ONE HIVE

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Meet Tom Sadowski

Community Public Health Social Worker

Current-
Livingston Township Social Worker, ABA Therapist, Life Skills Coach, Direct Support & Mindfulness Instructor

Let's hear from you!

LET'S CONTINUE SUCCESSFUL COLLABORATION BEEYOND THE CLASSROOM!