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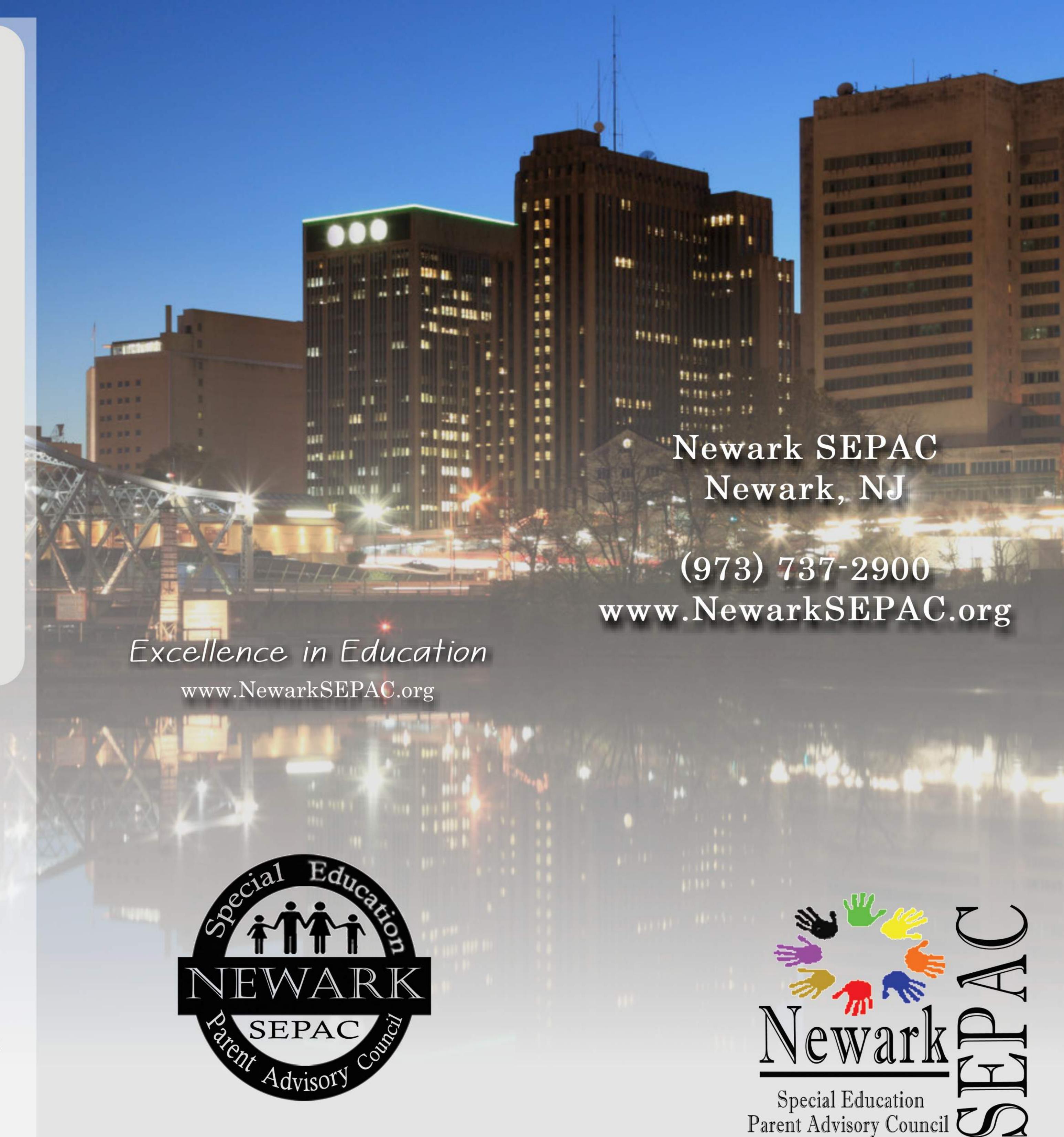
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The state of New Jersey, in the New Jersey
Administrative Code 6A: 13-1.2(h), mandates that all
public school districts have a SEPAC: "Each board of
education shall ensure that a special education parent
advisory Group is in place in the district to provide input
to the district on issues concerning students with
disabilities."







# Our Purpose

"The overall purpose of the Newark School District's Special Education Parental Advisory Committee (SEPAC) is to increase honest and effective communication, understanding, and mutual respect in a supportive partnership inclusive of all students, parents, educators, and the community-at-large in an effort to ensure the delivery of appropriate services to special education students."

### Our specific goals include:

- To advocate for special needs students by facilitating effective communication between the Office of Special Education, Board of Education, and Parents.
- To increase the involvement of families of students with special needs in making recommendations on special education policies and procedures;
- To advise on matters that pertain to the education, health, and safety of children with special needs
- To provide direct input on the policies, programs, and practices that impact services and supports for children with special needs and their families.

## Join Us

## Who Should Join?

- Any parent/guardian of a special needs child served by the Newark School District
- Any District staff member involved/interested in meeting the needs of students with disabilities.
- Any community member or professional who desires to uphold the highest standards of excellence for Newark Special Education students



## Connect With Us

For the most up-to-date information on meetings and scheduled events, follow us on





### Notice

The Newark SEPAC is an advocacy organization for all students identified with special needs in the Newark School District and is comprised of district professionals and parents.

The SEPAC provides a platform where parents and district representatives meet to identify and discuss parent issues and concerns that affect children with an IEP or 504 plan within the Newark Public Schools district; and to propose solutions for them.

## Parent-Led

Newark SEPAC is a district-wide organization created by parents to support the emotional, social and academic well-being of children with an IEP or 504 plan. We provide information, educational opportunities, resources and support to families and professionals striving to achieve the maximum benefit for all children within our community.