

WHAT DOES ADVOCACY MEAN IN SPECIAL EDUCATION

Thursday, October 10, 2024, 10:00 am – 11:30 am

DESCRIPTION: This training will cover what does advocacy mean in special education. Not everyone starts out by being a good advocate. Many parents, guardians and grandparents have faced challenges in getting their child’s education needs met. Parents, guardians, grandparents, must learn the skills they need to become good advocates for their children. Participants will learn that communicate effectively with teachers and other school personnel is one of the best ways to ensure that your child’s school is creating a good learning environment for your child, and to ensure that your child’s school is providing your child with the services or programs that he or she needs to succeed in school. If you are a parent, grandparent, family member, professional or just interested in this topic then this training is for you!

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

Parents, family members, caregivers and professionals who want to enhance the lives of children, teenagers & young adults. We welcome anyone who strives to achieve the same goals.

LANGUAGE: English (Spanish and Mandarin Interpretation Provided)

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

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ABOUT THE SPEAKER



Tina Beuparlant has 34 years of experience working with families of children with special needs and the professionals who serve them. She is a parent of a 37-year-old son, who has a diagnosis of Down Syndrome. She realizes upon her personal experiences and the knowledge she has gained over the years while navigating the special education system in NYS and the OPWDD adult systems to connect with and provide assistance to parents and professionals.

Tina began her vocation in the field of Educational Advocacy after her son, David, was born with Down Syndrome. When her son started in school there were few agencies to help her. She felt the world had moved her family aside and that they were all alone. She was told by a friend to call Parent to Parent of NYS. When she called, she found a kind voice on the other end of the phone that said YOU ARE NOT ALONE. WE ARE HERE TO HELP! Tina has a true passion for what she does and is committed to educating parents and professionals to ensure that ALL children with special needs receive “A Free and Appropriate Public Education.” Tina lives in Schenectady County with her husband Ronald and their two children David and Ronald II.

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