

# Communication Matters

## Time-Tested Strategies by Parents and Schools to Reduce Conflict & Improve Outcomes for Students with Disabilities

Sponsored by the  
Mid-Hudson Regional Affiliate  
of the NYS Special Education  
Task Force

**Wednesday, April 20, 2016**

*(Cancellation based on Dutchess BOCES school closing schedule)*

**7:00pm-8:30pm**

**Arlington High School (LGI room)**

1157 Route 55

LaGrangeville, NY 12540



- This free training features a video production developed through the collaborative efforts of many experienced parents, advocates and school administrators, who demonstrate common communication barriers that may arise during Committee on Special Education (CSE) meetings along with proven strategies to promote collaboration, creativity and agreement in Individualized Education Program (IEP) development.
- Attendees will hear what both parents and school personnel each wish the other knew, in order to work with them in the most effective way. Recommendations will be provided for those who may be new to special education as well as for those who have participated in many CSE meetings. A live facilitated discussion will be conducted with the viewing audience as an opportunity to share perspectives and thoughts on the conflict-reducing strategies highlighted by those representing typical CSE team members.
- Parents, guardians, general education and special education teachers, school administrators and psychologists, service providers and advocates are all encouraged to attend and participate in an honest and productive discussion resulting in improved outcomes for students with disabilities.

**Space is limited. Registration is required by Monday 4/18/16**

Visit our webpage above or online at: <http://goo.gl/forms/7zYzb5hzmj>

### Participants

**Special Education Directors , CSE  
Chairs and School Administrators**

*Darlene King ,Lisa Mead ,Scott Palermo,  
Carolyn McGuffog, Sue Murray and  
Kathleen Colucci*

Discussion Facilitator: *Richard Zipp,  
Wappingers Central School District*

**Parents, Educational Advocates,  
and Parent Center staff**

*Tina Beauparlant, Steve Oill, Nanette  
Saturn, Tania Anderson, Lisa Coggi,  
and Bonita Bailey*

Discussion Facilitator: *Karen Lynch,  
Taconic Resources for Independence*

### Questions?

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