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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am writing to tell you about an exciting opportunity for parents who have a student(s) with an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or a 504 Plan. There is a Learning Differences group that meets every third Thursday of the month (excluding December and June) at Beacon High School. This group is organized and managed by parents (Mr. and Mrs. Lutley). This will be the Lutley's last year in coordinating this effort for our BSCD parents. Their son is graduating from BHS in June. The group will need to have someone(s) continue on with this initiative. Myself as well as the Assistant Director of Pupil Personnel attend the meetings to provide additional support for parents.

The Learning Differences Group is a parent-led group whose purpose is to meet and talk with parents/caregivers and district staff, discuss your concerns, learn about your rights and responsibilities, and share triumphs and struggles. The meetings range from informal discussions to presentations by district personnel and area professionals. All parents in the district are welcome! Come get information and support for your kids (and yourself!), no matter what your concerns, and help us create an inclusive district that supports all learners!

The October meeting only had one parent who attended. I am encouraging and asking for your feedback to help support the group in its efforts. On November 15, 2018 the group would like to invite a guest speaker; Joyce Hawks, to come in and talk with parents about *Understanding Your Child's Individualized Education Program (IEP)*. In order for the group to organize this, they will need a minimum of ten participants. If you can so kindly complete the bottom portion of this letter and return it back to your child's teacher ONLY if you are RSVP for a spot to attend the presentation. The RSVP notice needs to be sent back to your child's teacher no later than Monday November 5th.

Thank you.


*Dawn Condello*

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Director of Pupil Personnel Services

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**RSVP FOR NOVEMBER 15, 2018**

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I will be attending the workshop:  Number of people attending: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return to your child's teacher no later than November 5, 2018**