
BSNPTA Legislative Positions for 2017

Bellevue Special Needs PTA
Board of Directors

Overview

The Bellevue Special Needs PTA is submitting this list of Legislative Positions for the 2017 Washington State Legislative Session. We provide this information with the intention of highlighting the need to be certain that the needs of children with disabilities, IEPs, and 504 Plans are included in any legislation.

Legislative Priorities

Standards for Paraeducators

- Support of legislation for the creation of a Paraeducator Professional Development System based on the report of the Paraeducator Workgroup.

Social Emotional Learning

- Support of legislation that will address the report of the Social Emotional Learning Benchmarks Workgroup.

Amplify Fund Basic Education

- Make certain that efforts to meet the requirements of the McCleary decision and funding education in Washington take into account the need to be inclusive and equitable.

Closing the Opportunity Gap

- Efforts made through additional legislation to close the opportunity gap must include children with disabilities in Washington schools.

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