

**Brandywine Special Needs PTA invites you to attend our next meeting**

**Thursday, Feb. 9, 2006  
6:30 PM**

**Community Center at the  
Brandywine Town Center**

Domed building across from Target

**Town Hall Meeting:  
Sharing Views with  
Legislators and Policy  
Makers on Important  
Topics Affecting  
Special Education**

**OPEN MEETING!  
WE NEED YOUR VOICE!**

Open Meeting for Parents to provide input into the independent analysis by Stetson Associates of the District's Special Education program.

**WHEN: Thurs., Feb. 2, 2006, 7-8:30 p.m.**

**WHERE: Ben Ellis room, District Office**

This is a unique opportunity to provide input into the study that will feed into the District's five year Strategic Plan for Special Education. See website for details.

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**IMPORTANT REMINDERS:**

Be sure to complete and return your District survey on Special Education to the District Offices.

**Save the date for our next meeting:**

When: Thurs., March 23, 2006, 6:30 p.m.

Topic: Improving your child's IEP

**Brandywine Special Needs**

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accountability  
DSTP AND DAPA  
services  
funding **IDEA**  
FAPE *inclusive practices*  
special ed issues  
TUITION TAX *diplomas*  
no child left behind

We have assembled a panel of elected officials and policy makers to hear your concerns regarding special education. Please join us and help inform them on issues of concern such as state testing of special education students, school accountability, high school diplomas for special education students, supporting inclusive practices, special education funding, and preparing all children, including those with special needs, for success in life after public school.

The following will be serving on the panel:

Sen. Cathy Cloutier; Sen. Charlie Copeland;

Rep. Greg Lavelle; Rep. Diana McWilliams;

Rep. Bob Valihura; Martha Toomey, DE Dept. of Education and Nancy Doorey, Brandywine School Board.

Panel invitations have also been extended to:

Congressman Mike Castle; Sen. Harris McDowell;

Rep. Wayne Smith; and Rep. Dennis Williams.

Please come join us in shaping the future direction of special education programs in Delaware. This is a great opportunity.

**For more information, call Ellen Coulston at 798-4641. [www.bsnpta.org](http://www.bsnpta.org)**