



COMMACK SEPTA
November 2, 2009

Dear Parents,

SEPTA is happy to announce that we will once again offer our Social Skills Group Program. If your child has a current IEP (is a classified special ed student) and is in grades K-5, he/she is eligible for this program. The program's purpose is to build each child's social competence through the use of role playing lifelike social situations with professional and peer feedback as primary learning techniques.

Some goals of this program include the following:

- Students will learn to introduce themselves to others without being prompted.
- Students will have appropriate small talk with their peers.
- Students will learn to take turns appropriately.
- Students will learn to accept disappointments appropriately (ex. How to be a good loser).
- Students will learn to use appropriate coping mechanisms when they are angry.

Please complete the attached application by November 25th. No applications will be accepted after this date. Before a child joins the group, the Group Leaders will conduct an individualized assessment of the child's social functioning. These intake sessions will be conducted during the middle to end of January. This individual meeting with a Group Leader will determine if this program will meet your child's needs, his/her eligibility and placement in the program. The cost of this program is \$50.00 for SEPTA members and \$70.00 for non members.

The Social Skills classes will begin the middle to end of January. Classes will be scheduled according to teacher Group Leader availability. This year the program will run for twelve weeks, concluding the end of April. The one hour session will begin immediately after school on days to be announced and will be held at Mandracchia-Sawmill (grades 3-5), Burr (grades 3-5), Wood Park (grades K-2), and possibly North Ridge (grades K-2), Indian Hollow (grades K-2) and/or Rolling Hills (grades K-2), **depending upon the building availability and enrollment in the program.** Parents are responsible for transportation.

All applications should be sent to:

**Hubbs Administration
P.O. Box 150
Commack, N.Y. 11725
Attention: SEPTA Social Skills Group**

If you have any questions about this program, please feel free to call Kathy Duffe, at 864-3223.

APPLICATION FOR SEPTA'S SOCIAL SKILLS GROUP

Student's Name _____ Telephone # _____
Address _____
Current Grade _____ Student's Age _____
Student's SE/Regular Ed. Teacher _____
Student's Current School _____
Parents' Names _____
My child will be picked up by _____

Please indicate day of week preferred 1st choice _____
(we will try our best to accommodate, but there are no guarantees)
Please indicate day/days of week child would not be able to attend _____

I would like my child to participate in SEPTA'S Social Skills P.L.A.Y. Group. I agree that my child will attend once a week for a 12 week period. Enclosed is my check for \$50.00 for members or \$70.00 for non members, made payable to SEPTA. This check will cover the cost of materials and will be refunded if my child is not accepted into the program. I understand that enrollment will be on a first come, first served basis and that there are limited openings available. Please note that there will be a \$15.00 returned check fee.

Emergency Contact: _____
Signature of Parent _____

Name(s) Phone Numbers(s)

PLEASE RETURN BEFORE NOVEMBER 25th TO:
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P.O. Box 150
Commack, NY 11725
Attn: SEPTA Social Skills Group

If you have not yet joined SEPTA, please show your support for our programs by forwarding your membership application and check in the amount of \$7.00 to Commack SEPTA.

SEPTA Membership Form

Your Name _____ Child's Name _____
Child's School _____ Grade _____
Teacher _____ Home Phone _____