

A GUIDE TO THE SPECIAL EDUCATION/IEP PROCESS FOR PARENTS OF DEAF & HARD OF HEARING CHILDREN

Presented by: **Lawrence Siegel, J.D.**

Internationally known, special education attorney, advocate and consultant, Lawrence Siegel, will conduct an interactive workshop for families of deaf and hard of hearing children. This workshop will provide an understanding of education/IEP law, help you develop effective strategies for your child, and provide valuable information for you to use throughout the process. A limited number of 15-minute family consultations will be available at the end of the workshop.

**This workshop will be offered at three locations. Registration opens at 5:15 p.m.
EACH WORKSHOP WILL RUN FROM 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.**

<u>ERIE</u>	<u>JOHNSTOWN/ALTOONA</u>	<u>PITTSBURGH</u>
Tuesday, March 31	Wednesday, April 1	Thursday, April 2
Achievement Center	Hiram G. Andrews Center	WPSD
4950 West 23rd Street	727 Goucher Street	300 East Swissvale Avenue
Erie, PA 16506	Johnstown, PA 15905	Pittsburgh, PA 15218

- Mr. Siegel will open the workshop with a presentation on education/IEP law and the IEP Process.
- A facilitated group discussion on effective strategies for parents will follow the presentation.
- Time is allotted for individual family discussion with Mr. Siegel after the workshop.
- A light supper will be provided.
- The workshop is parent focused, but professionals are invited to attend.

RSVP by Monday, March 23, 2015

THERE IS NO FEE TO ATTEND

- Reserve your seat with Vicki Cherney by emailing vcherney@wpsd.org or call 412.244.4207
- Include the following information when registering:
 - Location you will attend. (Erie, Johnstown/Altoona or Pittsburgh)
 - If you would like to meet privately with Mr. Siegel
 - Any special accommodations needed.

About Mr. Lawrence Siegel, J.D.: *Mr. Siegel is the founder of the National Deaf Education Project, helped enact the nation's first Deaf Child's Educational Bill of Rights. Author of: Statement of Principle (the Ed. & Communication Needs of D and HH Children), The Human Right to Language, The Complete IEP Guide, Least Restrictive Environment, the Paradox of Inclusion. He's an Adjunct Professor at Hastings College of the Law. He was the Endowed Chair at Gallaudet University (2004-2005). Other accomplishments include: Fulbright Specialist, appointed to California Special Education Commission; advised New Mexico, Colorado, California, North Carolina, Vermont, Pennsylvania and other states on reforming education of deaf and hard-of-hearing students. He has testified before US Congress and state legislatures on Deaf Ed. He consulted with Gifu University (Japan) and Stockholm University on Special Education. Larry Siegel is from California.*

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