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**MILTON SPECIAL EDUCATION
PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC)
2010-2011**

Jerry Vitti, Vice-Chair Presenting

MILTON SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC)

- Purpose
- Overview of 2010-2011 Programming
- Progress and Accomplishments
- Ongoing Goals and New Initiatives

PURPOSE

The Milton Parent Advisory Council exists to:

- Provide information and support to all parents and guardians of children receiving special education services and other interested parties
- Advise the district on matters that pertain to the education and safety of students with disabilities
- Work collaboratively with the Milton Public Schools on the development, planning and evaluation of special education programs

OVERVIEW OF 2010-2011 PROGRAMMING

- **PAC Meetings**
- **Roundtable Discussions**
- **Parent Support Group Meeting**

OVERVIEW OF 2010-2011 PROGRAMMING

- **PAC Meetings:**

These meetings consist of speakers followed by a discussion and Q & A period. These meetings are open to everyone.

- Superintendent Gormley and Dr. Patricia DeVal presented **“A Parent’s Guide to Special Education Programs”** and answered questions.
- Followed by a **Transition Planning** presentation by Mr. Kevin Lenane
- **Basic Rights Workshop** presented by the Federation for Children with Special Needs

OVERVIEW OF 2010-2011 PROGRAMMING

- **Roundtable Discussions:**

These meetings are planned in collaboration with MPS administration so parents can learn about special education programs and services available at each level, and get their questions answered. These meeting are open to everyone.

- **Middle School** Roundtable Discussion
- **High School and Out-of-District** Roundtable Discussion

OVERVIEW OF 2010-2011 PROGRAMMING

- **Parent Support Group Meeting:**

These support group meetings are open to parents/guardians who have children with special needs in the Milton Public Schools and are facilitated by Social Worker Vinita Russell. All meetings are held at the Milton Public library.

- Meetings are the **third Thursday night** of each month , October through May, with a few exceptions

OVERVIEW OF 2010-2011 PROGRAMMING

The Parent Support Group meetings can offer parents:

On-going accepting, supportive, confidential environment for parents who have children with special needs in the Milton Public Schools

- Opportunities for parents of students in Out-of-District Placements to connect
- Positive coping strategies in order to focus anger and energy in positive ways
- Opportunities to relieve loneliness and form new friendships
- Help in dealing with educational, medical and other service agencies
- HELPFUL information, ideas and resources

REMAINING PAC MEETINGS FOR 2011

May 12, 2011

- ✓ **PAC Elections and Summer Programming**
 - (Pierce Middle School Library)

TBD

- ✓ **Coordinated Program Review**
 - We plan to hold a special meeting to discuss the results of the Coordinated Program Review once the document is available.

REMAINING ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS FOR 2011

April 14, 2011

- ✓ **Preschool Roundtable Discussion**
 - (Collicot Elementary School)

May 12, 2011

- ✓ **Elementary Roundtable Discussion**
 - *(Pierce Middle School)*

* This Roundtable was rescheduled and will be combined with the regular PAC meeting. Please note the location.

REMAINING PARENT SUPPORT GROUP MEETING FOR 2011

May 19, 2011

Milton Public Library

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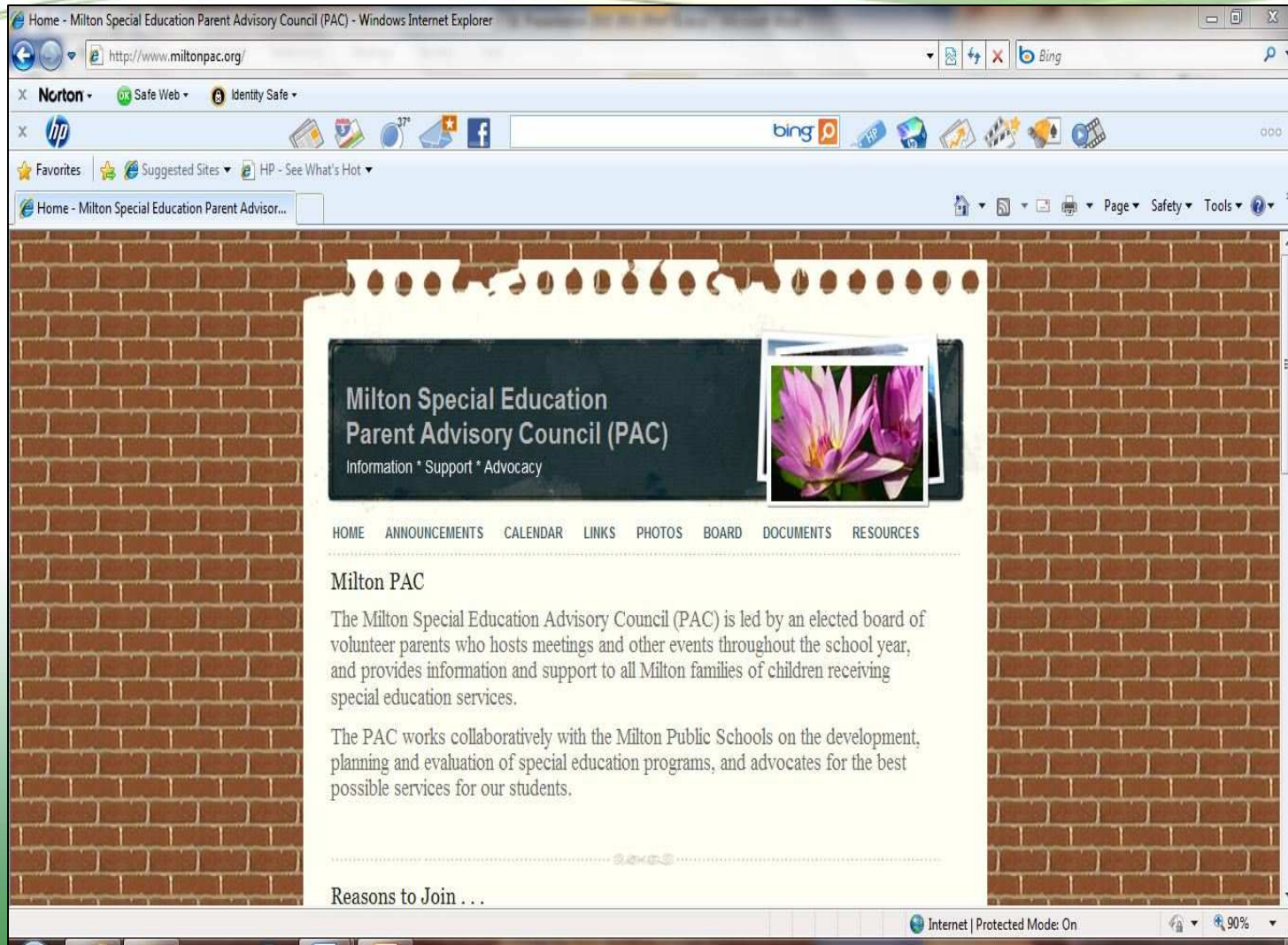
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PROGRESS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- ✓ **Communication**
- ✓ **Open House Presentation**
- ✓ **Welcoming Reception for the Administrator for Pupil Personnel Services**
- ✓ **A Parent's Guide to Special Education Programs**
- ✓ **Search Committee for the Administrator for Pupil Personnel Services**
- ✓ **Coordinated Program Review**

ONGOING GOALS & NEW INITIATIVES

- ✓ **Communication**
- ✓ **Coordinated Program Review results**
- ✓ **Administrator for Pupil Personnel Services**
- ✓ **Special Education Programming**
- ✓ **Special Education Site Council**



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THANK YOU!