MACOMB INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WELCOME!

The Macomb Intermediate School District's Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) is a group comprised of parents of special needs children, volunteers, & educators. The PAC is available to parents of special needs children to:

- assist parents with the special education process by answering questions about special education rules and regulations,
- mentor and educate parents,
- build positive relationships with schools,
- provide input relating to legislative issues and
- network with other PACs throughout the state.

The PAC has been successful in their goal to involve more parents in the past year and hopes to continue that effort this year. **Your involvement in the PAC is crucial to our success!** The PAC meets monthly at the MISD. Parents and visitors are welcome to attend these meetings. Below is a short biography for each PAC Leadership Team Member:

Christine Coppola is our newest Leadership Team member and the PAC representative for Chippewa Valley Schools. She has a 14-year-old son, Nicholas, who attends Iroquois Middle School and was diagnosed with High Functioning Autism when he was 3 years old. Nicholas is their only child. Christine works full time as a Remote Medical Coder/Auditor and has been married to her husband Michael for 18 years. She enjoys reading, swimming, and spending time with friends and family. Her next goal is to help implement a Peer-to-Peer program at the Middle School where her son attends in Chippewa Valley Schools. Christine has been involved with the MISD/PAC Special Education Fair for the past few years and is looking forward to participating now as a Leadership Team member.

Nancy Crampton is the PAC representative for Roseville Schools. She has two daughters, Cindy, who graduated from Roseville High School, and Joy who attends Neil Reid and Lake Shore High School and receives special education services for Moderate Multiple Impairments. Nancy works full time at a credit union. She loves to read, listen to music, volunteer in her church, and spend time with her family. Nancy represents the PAC at the Macomb Spring Family Fun Day and assists the committee wherever needed throughout the school year.

Shelley Petty is the PAC representative for the MISD. She has been married to Jeremy for 18 years. They have three children. Their oldest, Hailey, has Rett Syndrome & Lennox Gastaut Syndrome and has been receiving special education services since she was 18 months old. She currently attends Glen Peters School. Their 9-year-old twins, Joslyn & Justyn, attend Oakbrook Elementary in Utica. Shelley is the PTO President at Peters School and is involved with various classroom activities at Oakbrook. She and Jeremy mentor families of children with special needs, focusing on Rett Syndrome. Together, with six other families, they co-host the annual "Quest for a Cure" Walkathon and have raised over \$130,000 for Rett Syndrome Research. Shelley is responsible for keeping minutes at each PAC meeting and assisting in other areas, as needed.

The MISD-PAC strives to make the educational experiences of all children the best they can be and hopes to make this year even better than the last. Thank you for taking the time to learn more about the PAC.

Hope to see you at a meeting soon!

Sincerely,

Your PAC Leadership Team:

Christine, Nancy, and Shelley

