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Why should I join the Special Education Local Task Force #19?

- ◆ Play an important role in communicating systemic needs and challenges in special education to the appropriate sources.
- ◆ Be part of the collaboration between the intermediate unit, public school districts, and other local agencies and organizations.
- ◆ Parents are often the first group to know or recognize challenges and needs.
- ◆ Help translate observations of challenges and needs into action for positive change.
- ◆ Working together locally to provide reasonable solutions with community resources are generally more satisfying and timely.

How do I become a member?

- ◆ Parents of students in public school entities within the geography of our member districts and community partners just need to attend 2 meetings to become an active member!

What can I expect from meetings?

- ◆ You will connect with other parents and community members to gain knowledge and understanding of a variety of topics important in special education as well as identify and discuss issues in our local district in order to support a solution with positive outcomes for all!

Date	Time	Location	Topic
Oct 22 2025	10 am – 12 pm	NEIU 19	History and Regeneration of the LTFs in PA IEP Information Series—Timeline
Nov 19 2025	6 pm – 8 pm	Carbondale Area	Accessing Community Resources; IEP Information Series—What to Expect in the Evaluation Process
Feb 10 2026	10 am - 12 pm	NEIU 19	Addressing Social/Emotional Concerns; IEP Information Series—Parts of the IEP
Mar 11 2026	6 pm – 8 pm	Member District	School Transition Programs; IEP Information Series—Specially Designed Instruction
Apr 23 2026	12 pm – 2pm	Scranton Public Library	Accessing Recreation in the Community; IEP Information Series—Related Services
May 13 2026	10 am – 12 pm	NEIU 19	Recap on the 25-26 School Year; Voting for chairs; IEP Information Series—NOREP/ Procedural Safeguards

NEIU 19 Member

School Districts

*Abington Heights ; Blue Ridge;
Carbondale Area; Dunmore;
Elk Lake; Forest City Regional;
Lackawanna Trail; Lakeland;
Mid Valley; Montrose;
Mountain View; North Pocono;
Old Forge; Riverside; Scranton;
Susquehanna Community;
Valley View; Wallenpaupack;
Wayne Highlands;
Western Wayne*

