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# SEPTA of Oldham County

Special Education Parent Teacher Association for Oldham County Schools

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## November Meeting

### IEP Process Workshop

Tuesday, November 8

7:00 –8:30 p.m.

@ The Annex

1900 Button Lane in LaGrange



Understand the process of creating an Individual Education Plan (IEP) so you can partner with your child's school to create an appropriate IEP—led by Melissa Abernathy, Director of Oldham County Schools Exceptional Children's Services

### Future SEPTA meeting dates:

December 13, 2011

January 10, 2012

February 14, 2012

March 13, 2012

April 17, 2012



## Membership Dues

As a charter member of the Kentucky PTA and the National PTA, SEPTA of Oldham County collects annual dues from its members. As required in our bylaws, our annual individual membership is effective for the term July 1 to June 30 each year. We are winding up the fall renewal period and encourage anyone who has not yet renewed their membership for the 2011-2012 school year to do so now.

Membership forms are available at all meetings or can be printed from our website, [www.septaofoldhamcounty.org](http://www.septaofoldhamcounty.org), and mailed to PO Box 454, Crestwood, KY 40010.

Current members will continue to have this monthly newsletter emailed directly to them. Starting with the December issue, interested persons who are not current members may still access this newsletter by visiting our website. Not sure if your dues are current? Contact SEPTA's VP for Ways and Means, Dawn Ripley, [dripley@insightbb.com](mailto:dripley@insightbb.com), and we'll check the roster for you.

SEPTA of OLDHAM COUNTY  
Bringing Together  
SPECIAL FAMILIES  
Our SCHOOLS  
And The Community



In July, SEPTA was thrilled to receive a matching grant of \$1,500 from Kosair Charities. A large part of these funds are to be used to purchase texts for our lending library, which is housed at the Oldham County Public Library.

We need volunteers for our Lending Library Committee, charged with determining which titles will be purchased. If you can help, please contact SEPTA President, Janet Jones, [jonesjol@bellsouth.net](mailto:jonesjol@bellsouth.net).

## Family Fun Night

Our annual Family Fun Night is December 13, from 6:00pm – 7:30pm, at Buckner Elementary School. Join us for a relaxed, sensory-friendly experience for the entire family. Bring the kids and visit with Santa, make a holiday craft, have a light family-friendly dinner, listen to a story, explore the Snoozlin Room and simply enjoy the moment.

Feel free to invite other Oldham County families, including educators and professionals, to join us for this purely social occasion. ECS educators are especially encouraged to attend and invite their students and families. If you have questions or would like to help or donate to the event, please contact Liz Glenn or Janet Jones.



“working together to make connections”

### Resources Available:

*Occupational Therapists  
Optometrist/Vision Therapy  
Gluten-free and Nut-Free Baked Goods  
Family Therapy  
Sensory Toys/ Supplies  
Recreation Ideas  
Pediatricians  
Health and Wellness*

*You're Invited*

to our First Annual  
Sensory Processing Disorder  
**RESOURCE FAIR**

*Saturday November 5, 2011*

*10 a.m. - 1 p.m*

*Cardinal Hill / Easter Seals*

*9810 Bluegrass Parkway*

*Louisville, Kentucky*



Hosted by The Sensory Processing Disorder Support Group of Louisville

**Note:** SEPTA of Oldham County will be participating in the First Annual Sensory Processing Disorder Fair

## Recommended Reading

A book I'd recommend to parents is *I Get It: Building Social Thinking and Reading Comprehension Through Book Chats* by Audra Jensen, M. Ed. and BCBA, a parent of a child on the autism spectrum.



It's geared toward elementary-aged children with social thinking deficits (ADD/ADHD, Autism spectrum, etc.) and uses books with great visuals, many available in our local libraries, to help children form deeper interpersonal relationships. It also contains IEP goals.

Available on the Social Thinking website, [www.socialthinking.com](http://www.socialthinking.com) (\$25).

—Kim Crone, SEPTA VP for communication