### Dedicated to the needs of our children.



LTF # 19 is dedicated to work cooperatively

and creatively with school districts. LTF

- #19 will work with you to ensure:
- Proper Identification and Evaluation
- Individualized Education Plans (IEP)
- Least Restrictive Environments (LRE)
- Inclusive Practices
- Specially Designed Supports/Services
- Extended School Year (ESY)
- Positive Behavior Support Plans
- Transition Planning
- Training Information and Resources

#### NEIU 19 Member School Districts

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



### Leadership Team

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# Right to Education Local Task Force #19

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## History of the Right to Education Local Task Force #19



The Local Task Force System was established in 1972 as part of the Consent Decree between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and what is now known as the The Arc of PA. In 1977, the focus was expanded to include all students with disabilities which includes children that were in need of the following: autistic support, emotional support, learning disabilities support, life skills support, and multiple disabilities support along with therapies to include occupational, physical, speech/language, hearing, vision, and orientation and mobility therapies.

### **Primary Purpose**

The primary purpose of the Right to Education Local Task Force # 19 (LTF #19) is to make recommendations that assist in improving, expanding, and monitoring programs and services for children eligible for special education supports and services.

LTF #19 includes family members, educators, providers, and professional representation from the The Arc-NEPA, NEIU, and Lackawanna and Susquehanna County administrators. Together this group works to plan opportunities that ensure that all eligible children receive and individualized, free and appropriate public education (FAPE).



*"It is not enough to have a mission, we must believe it and we must work together to make it real."* 

### Membership

LTF #19 invites all parents and guardians of students with disabilities to attend monthly meetings and/or become a member.

Meetings will begin with introductions, provider reports, State Task Force update, and a presentation on a relevant topic in special education.

Following the meeting, there will be an opportunity to network with parents, providers, professionals, educators, and advocates.

2019-2020 Meeting Schedule 10/08/19 9:30 a.m. @ The Arc of NEPA 11/19/19 5:30 p.m. @ Lackawanna Trail High School 2/4/20 9:30 a.m. @ The Arc of NEPA 3/24/20 6:00 p.m. @ The Arc of NEPA 4/21/20 9:30 a.m. @ The CIL – Transitional Skills Center 5/05/20 9:30 a.m. @ The Arc of NEPA