



PTSA Special Needs Group at Norman Rockwell Elementary



Welcome back to a new and exciting school year! We hope this will be a great year for you and your child!

WHO WE ARE: The PTSA Special Needs Group at Rockwell Elementary is families of children who have special challenges in the classroom, who may or may not receive additional services or classroom support. Every child is unique and has his or her own strengths, and it's our hope that *every* student will succeed – in the classroom, in our community, in our world. This is a great place to start, if you're looking for support, encouragement, or have questions about special education here at Rockwell.

OUR GOALS: This year, we hope to:

- Connect and support special needs families at Rockwell
- Supervise “Friendly Fridays” (fun, inclusive activities during lunch recess)
- Raise disability awareness within the Rockwell community
- Show our appreciation and support for the Rockwell Staff

INTRODUCING OUR PTSA SPECIAL NEEDS LIAISON: We are also part of the larger Lake Washington School District PTSA Special Needs Group. We have a LWSD PTSA Special Needs Liaison who keeps our families informed of monthly meetings and district updates on issues affecting families who have special needs children. The liaison can often answer a family's questions regarding special education here at Rockwell.

Our LWSD PTSA Special Needs Liaison for the 2010-11 School Year is
Pilar López (ciberpilar@hotmail.com)

If you would like more information about the Special Needs Group at Rockwell or are interested in volunteering for any of our activities, please contact Pilar.



Lake Washington School District PTSA Special Needs Group

The PTSA Special Needs Group is made up of parents in LWSD whose children receive special services and/or classroom support. The group meets *every fourth Tuesday* of the month except December and June. Anyone is invited to attend these informative meetings which provide opportunities to:

- Hear presentations relevant to the needs of special needs families and children in LWSD
- Learn about resources in the community
- Network with other parents
- Keep updated on district and PTSA issues that affect our children

If you'd like to be added to the email list and receive updates on LWSD PTSA meetings and special needs happenings in our community, please contact the Chairperson of the Special Needs Group, Julie Shalaby (jmsshalaby@hotmail.com). For more information, visit:
<http://www.lwsd.org/Parents/Special-Education/Pages/Parent-Groups.aspx>