

Local Task Force on the Right to Education for Beaver County  
News Letter  
December, 2010

**WHAT YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO KNOW**

*But Didn't Know Who To Ask*

**Agency Information:**

**Lunch and Learn** is an informational series on transition being offered by the **Local Task Force of the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit**. The sessions are scheduled between 12:00PM and 1:00PM by phone conferencing. **You can access the session from any telephone by dialing 724-444-7444, the ID is #88337 followed by the # sign.** Then, press 1 followed by the # sign. You are then connected to the live session. **The third session is scheduled for 12/22 /10.** For additional information, contact you district's Director of Special Education or your high school Transition Coordinator.

**County Transition Day is scheduled for December 17<sup>th</sup> at Ambridge High School Field House from 8:00AM – 1:30PM.** This event addresses the areas for transition required by IDEA for students 14 – 21. Representatives from colleges, universities, technical/trade schools, military, employers, agencies will be available to provide information and answer questions about their services. This event is open to the public. There is no cost to attend.

**IEP Information:**

Parents and the Local Education Agency (LEA) may agree **NOT** to convene an IEP meeting to make changes to the IEP after the annual meeting. Instead may develop a written document to modify the current IEP. And upon request parent receives revised copy of the IEP.

**Resource Information:**

**Grants and Financial Aid for Learning Disabled Children and their Families** are offered by several agencies and Foundations. The Learning Disabilities Foundation of America supports the Learning Disabilities Association of America (LDA). The LDA helps to advance the education and general welfare of children and adults with learning Disabilities. Contact Jean Petersen, Executive Director at 4156 Library Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15234 or call (412) 563-1089.

**S.S.S. Bainbridge is a Sea Scouting Program for the Disabled.** For those interested in becoming a member of a Sea Scout Unit contact Skipper Ed Burchell at (412)-999-1669 or at [ed@burchell.us](mailto:ed@burchell.us).

If you have any questions or concerns about your child's Special Education Plan or Special Education Services that you would like to have answered through this newsletter, please contact Diane DuFour-Gaudio, Training and Consultation Staff, Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit at 724-774-7800, ext 3031 or at [ddg@bviu.org](mailto:ddg@bviu.org). You may also contact, Mr. Robert Nicols, Chairperson of the Local Task Force, at (724) 775-1360. **Questions and concerns do not require that your name or your school district's name be given in order to get a reply.**

**\*If you are interested in receiving this news letter by email contact Judy Pamer at [jpamer@achieva.info](mailto:jpamer@achieva.info) or 724-775-1602, ext 16.**

**Distributed by the  
PARENT INFORMATION COMMITTEE  
of the  
Local Task Force on the Right to Education for Beaver  
We cordially invite you to attend our monthly meetings.  
There is no meeting scheduled for December.**

**The meeting begins at 10:00 A.M.  
The Local Task Force is supported through the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit EOE.**