

Needham School Committee Special Education
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**PRESCHOOL
Accomplishments**

- Piloting the Smart Start social skills program
- Hands-On Math
- Parent training: Fall & Spring
- Outreach & collaboration to community preschools
- Integrated summer preschool program

**PRESCHOOL
Goals**

- Develop social skills group
- Continue alignment of curriculum frameworks
- Expand parent training
- Transdisciplinary team approach

ELEMENTARY Accomplishments

- Development of Job-Alike groups
- Extended School Year
- Disability Awareness
- Curriculum support - math and literacy

ELEMENTARY Goals

- Shared vision & partnership between general & special education
- Professional development
- Transition process

MIDDLE SCHOOL Accomplishments

- Teacher Assistant professional development
- MCAS supports
- Inclusion of special education teachers into student advisory
- Curriculum alignment of Language Based Learning Centers
- Social skills projects

MIDDLE SCHOOL Goals

- Enhance co-teaching models
- Continue to support MCAS preparation
- Alignment of IEPs with standards-based curriculum
- Continue social skills projects

HIGH SCHOOL Accomplishments

- High School faculty training: “How to Support All Students”
- Program development:
 - STRIVE
 - Social Skills Communication Program (new)
 - Co-teaching (new)
 - Connections
 - Skills

HIGH SCHOOL Goals

- New service model in Skills program
- Co-teaching model
- New program for students with social skills communication challenges
- Alignment of IEPs with standards-based curriculum

SEPAC Accomplishments

- District-wide school liaisons
- Increased parent participation
- Expanded Disability Awareness Programs
- Collaborated on summer program development
- Parent social skills survey

SEPAC Goals

- Increase Middle School/High School parent involvement
- Extend SEPAC parent participation within the community
- Continue expansion of disability awareness
- Implement focused social skills program
- Participate in development of anti-bullying programs
- Consideration of Special Education needs in space planning
