

Monthly Meetings:

SPKN meetings are usually held on the third Wednesday of every month from 6:30pm-8:00pm at the Gloucester Township Recreation Center, 80 Broadacres Drive, Clementon, NJ 08012.

How to Volunteer:

Ever wanted to help out and volunteer with local children or teens with special needs? If the answer to that question is "yes!" then this is the group for you because we need YOU! We are always seeking typical teen peers (grades 7 and up) or interested adults to help facilitate our events, and mentor others because we have awesome kids who would love a buddy! For more information on how you can help, contact us at our group email address:

GloTwpSPKN@hotmail.com.



Please e-mail us to sign-up to be included on our email distribution lists for information about future upcoming activities or to register to attend one of our exciting events!

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80 Broadacres Dr.
Clementon, NJ 08021

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GT Special Parents
& Kids Network
(SPKN)

Our Mission:

Gloucester Township's Special Parents & Kids Network (*SPKN...Speaking!*) is a township supported, parent-directed, parent-to-parent support, education and information resource group that firmly believes that providing events and resources for families who care for special needs individuals is important to enhancing the quality of the lives of those individuals and their families. We are committed to building a network of resources, socialization opportunities, continuing education and support to children of all ages with special needs, their families and caregivers. Please join us as we learn from each other how to best support and advocate for our children, exchange resources and ideas and most especially how to help our children and ourselves.

Additionally, this group acts as a means to provide awareness of the importance of social integration of our children into the general population using opportunities to educate others and create overall societal acceptance.

What We Do:

As a group we do many amazing things together. Our goal is to provide 5-6 organized group activities per year. Leader and planners work together to incorporate diversity of activities into our events so as to provide beneficial programming to serve members from each of our age groups. We also work together to share resources and provide support for parents and caregivers. Some of our noteworthy accomplishments this past year have been:

- Parental Meetings
- Hosted Resource & Educational Speakers
- Created Up-to-Date Local Resource Guide
- Hosted Tween/Teen/Young Adult Dance
- Hosted a *Hooked on Fishing*© Event
- Hosted a Pool Party
- Hosted a Super Hero Themed Activity Based Exercise Program
- Social Skills Game Night
- Eight Week Yoga Course
- Family Bowling Event



Come Join Us!

We invite all parents, siblings, extended family, neighbors, teachers, friends and anyone with an open, generous heart who would like to be part of our group, to come out to our meetings and events. Please consider getting involved with our families, children and young adults! Become their friends and mentors, and help to make a difference in their lives! Additionally, we also have professionals speaking at our parent meetings to help educate families on things like therapeutic techniques & resources, constructive coping methods, legal and educational matters, etc. If you are a professional who would like to offer a parental education session on your area of specialty please contact us at: GloTwpSPKN@hotmail.com.