**St Johns County Parent Advisory Committee**

St Johns County PAC kicked off the 2015/2016 school year with representatives from North East Florida Educational Consortium (NEFEC) - Florida Diagnostic and Resource System (FDLRS) and *Special Ed Connection*®. Representatives provided parents and community members with a wealth of information to enrich and enhance the education of exceptional students. If you missed our first meeting, please take a moment to access the resources that are available to you below:

**Special Ed Connection®**

Gain a better understanding of special education processes and learn how to help your child benefit from special education services by accessing *Special Ed Connection*®.

* News and updates = latest developments
* Tools to help you be more actively involved in meeting your family member’s needs
* Smart Starts = hundreds of special education topics, federal regulations, case law, and assistive technology
* Special Ed Online Dictionary = easily understood definitions to thousands of terms
* Special Ed Round-Ups = access to best practices on hundreds of special education issues

The Florida Department of Education is proud to provide access to *Special Ed Connection*® at no cost to families of individuals with disabilities who are enrolled in special education programs. To request access to this valuable resource contact your local FDLRS Center by calling (386) 329-3811 or emailing the Center Manager at [lanea@nefec.org](mailto:lanea@nefec.org)

**FDLRS/NEFEC**

The Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resource System (FDLRS) offers an array of services, trainings and resources for parents of exceptional students.

To access, go to [www.nefec.org](http://www.nefec.org), click “Find a Service” green box at top left, click “FDLRS/NEFEC” from blue menu on right, click “Parent Services” from menu on right.