

# Smithtown SEPTA



## Seeing the Ability in Every Child

**Please Join Us**  
**April 17, 2017 at 7:00 PM**

**Meeting to be held at NYA Administrative Building at**  
**26 New York Avenue**  
**Smithtown, NY 11787**  
**Room 222A**

## Functional Behavior Assessments for Parents

Dr. Emma Leah Hettrich is a NYS licensed psychologist and certified school psychologist. She works both as a school psychologist within the Commack School District and as an adjunct professor within the School Psychology Department at St. John's University. Over the past few years, Dr. Hettrich has been involved in many projects on the island of St. Maarten, including evaluations of children with disabilities and training teachers and staff on specific assessment and behavior techniques. Dr. Hettrich has presented at national conferences on cognitive, academic and behavioral assessments results with culturally diverse populations. Dr. Hettrich currently serves on the board of the New York Association of School Psychologists (NYASP). Her areas of interest include assessment of reading disabilities and autism evaluation and intervention.

### **In this presentation participants will learn about:**

- What a Functional Behavior Assessment (FBA) is and when one is warranted.
- The behavioral principle's behind functional behavior assessment including how to investigate antecedents of behavior, identify functions of behavior and evaluate environmental situations that maintain behavior.
- How the FBA is used to create a Behavior Intervention Plan (BIP).
- How to use principles of behavior analysis to understand your child's behavior.