WHY PTA?



With schools facing challenges like inadequate budgets and lack of educational equity, PTA is more important than ever. PTA provides programs on strengthening family-school partnerships and free resources on issues and areas such as arts, STEM, and health & safety. PTA/PTSA members are part of a powerful association that can advocate on behalf of children and educators at the local, state, and national levels. Families, students, teachers, and schools all benefit from being a part of the PTA.



Families

- Get Connected & Trained: There's no better way to know what's happening in your school and network with parents and teachers. Access high quality leadership training.
- **Discover Great Resources:** The PTA offers a variety of programs designed for parents as well as students.
- Speak Up: PTA can be a way for you to be more effectively engaged at your child's school to help make positive improvements.
- Be a Role Model: Demonstrating to your child the importance you place on education.

Teachers



- Family Engagement: Access resources and grants to support family engagement. Apply for funds and access resources and tools for parents.
- Build Community: PTA provides more opportunities to connect with families and students to build strong school communities.
- Programs: Encourage students to explore the arts through Reflections, the nations oldest student arts program. Use PTA's program kits and apply for grants to engage families in safety, literacy, bullying prevention, digital safety and STEM.

Students

Build strong communities to help every child reach their full potential

Schools



- Learn & Gain Experience: Students gain experience in leadership, advocacy, public speaking, teamwork, event planning.
- Speak Up: At all levels, but especially the secondary grade level – student voices must inform that conversation to make positive improvements.
- Lead: Students have a seat at the table with school decision-makers including parents, school leaders, and community members.
- Boost parent involvement: PTA programs provide a roadmap for collaboration among families, schools, and the community to support school improvement objectives.
- PTA fights for funding. PTAs advocate for every child at the local, state, and national levels. Gain access to advocacy tools that help you speak up on behalf of the needs of every child at your school.
- **Support & Resources:** PTAs focus on local communities and are networked globally. A team of professional and volunteer leaders is never more than a phone call or email away. PTAs are independent 501c3 organizations.

National PT/A everychild one voice. 125 YEARS of ADVOCATING for CHILDREN

Harness the power of PTA to:

- Increase family engagement and volunteerism
- Implement programs to engage families in student success or school improvements
- Qualify for grants and awards to support your school
- · Partner with other community organizations
- · Enhance fundraising efforts
- Realize measurable results in student achievement

JOIN PTA

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