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You!

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Give your child the gift that counts – You!

As the new school year begins give your child a gift that will benefit them every day – join PTA. PTA members work for a quality education and the health, safety and well being of each child. With your PTA membership, you join an association who has been responsible for kindergarten in our schools, the hot lunch programs, immunizations for children, juvenile justice laws, drug and alcohol education programs and we continue to advocate for children on a variety of issues relevant to students and parents today. PTA members are currently working on family engagement legislation, the child nutrition act, working with military families, healthy lifestyles and many other important programs to benefit children. When you join PTA you are helping your student, your family, your school and your community.

PTA provides a variety of resources to help you accomplish your goals. The National PTA, Kansas PTA Board of Managers, Region Vice Presidents and Council Presidents are all here to assist your unit. Also utilize past board members, the principal and teachers in your building as well as community members and partners. They are a wealth of information.

Visit the National PTA website for membership and program information. Three for Me, MORE and Million Hours of Power information can easily be accessed on the website as well as information on a variety of other topics. The Kansas PTA website has information posted on family engagement, the citizenship and reflections programs, membership flyers as well as links to several organizations for pertinent information for your students and school.

The Big Box of Possibilities from National PTA has president, treasurer and program guides along with other information to help guide your unit and officers. You have to go online to the National PTA website (www.pta.org) to register for your kit. Kansas PTA mailed the summer packet to units to get you off to a great PTA start.

Sign up to receive updates from the Kansas PTA Facebook page. It is a great way to keep in touch and stay up to date with Kansas PTA activities.

As you begin the new school year, remember to ask all parents and teachers as well as your principal to join your efforts. Make your PTA unit reflective of your school population – ask everyone to join – grandparents, aunts, uncles and community members. It will make your PTA a strong, united association working for the benefit of all children.

Debbie Lawson, Kansas PTA President

Remember, in the elections this fall to research the candidates and vote for those who support public education. Our children are counting on us to elect individuals who support their education and their future in Kansas.

STABILITY DURING TIMES OF CONSTANT CHANGE

This is why National PTA, along with the Department of Defense schools, and organizations such as the Military Child Education Coalition, has formed PTA Alliance to Support Military Families. Through this initiative, we hope to ease their lives and help children in their learning, health and emotional growth. We want our PTAs to be as sheltering for these kids as we are for our children in civilian life.

It is also why we also approved a resolution at the 2010 National PTA Convention mobilizing PTAs in support of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children. The compact, developed by the Council of State Governments' National Center for Interstate Compacts, in cooperation with the Department of Defense, ensures smoother transitions for military children when they transfer to different states and school districts. Twenty-eight states have enacted the compact so far; we will need your help to gain participation from every state. More information on the PTA Alliance to Support Military Families will be provided at PTA.org.

Our military families deserve the structure, support and resources for education and wellness that we provide to our families at home each and every day. Thank you for lending your voice to improving life for every child.

Charles J. “Chuck” Saylors
2009-2011 National PTA President
www.pta.org/chucksaylors
Special Membership Awards
(determined by the State Membership Committee)

**Council Achievement Award** - Councils that have each of their units in Good Standing (Bylaws current, officer names submitted, and dues submitted) and receiving one (1) or more general membership award.

**Tomorrow’s Leaders Today Award** - Awarded to the one PTSA unit with the highest percentage of student memberships. The unit must have a minimum of twenty (20) student members.

**Leaders of the Future Award** - Awarded to the one (1) PTSA unit with the highest number of student memberships.

**Male Involvement Award** – Awarded to the one (1) PTA/PTSA unit with the highest percentage of male memberships. The unit must have a minimum of twenty (20) male members.

**Male Engagement Award** – Awarded to the one (1) PTA/PTSA unit with the highest number of male memberships.

**President’s Challenge Award** – Units with at least 25% member increase over the previous year’s membership total.

**Gold Award** – Awarded to the one (1) unit with the greatest increase in membership numbers.

**Silver Award** – Awarded to the one (1) unit with the greatest percentage increase in membership.

Kansas PTA would also like to encourage all Middle Schools and High Schools throughout the state to re-charter to become a PTSA and encourage student members. These students are a great resource and are indeed the leaders of tomorrow. If you would like more information about your unit becoming a PTSA or would like to find out more about encouraging student members, please contact the Kansas PTA office, your Region VP or me.

Dawn Lalumondier
Kansas PTA Membership Chairperson 2009-2011
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**Kansas PTA Keys to Leadership Passport**

Good leaders participate in ongoing training at all levels and continually update their leadership skills. The Kansas PTA Keys to Leadership Passport is designed to help in your endeavors to become a better leader at the unit, council, region and state level. You will find the passport very informational and helpful in your quest to gain knowledge about all aspects of PTA.

Send your Keys to Leadership Passport into Kansas State PTA office by March 15, 2011 so you can receive your award and pin at Convention.

Challenge all your local, council & state officers to participate.

Please contact the Kansas State PTA office at 1-888-311-5782 for your Keys to Leadership Passport.

Toni Miller
Kansas PTA Leadership Chairperson
Steps to Building a Diverse & Inclusive PTA

Step 1 - Define Diversity
- Diversity may have different meanings for different individuals.
- Diversity can mean identifying, valuing and enlisting the unique characteristics and abilities of all families.

Step 2 - Gather Information
- Identify the groups in your community who should be invited and included to participate. Consider gender, race, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, and special needs.
- Ask leaders of other groups how you can cooperate with them, or ask them to serve as advisors (on your board, for a joint project, etc).

Step 3 - Understand the Issues
- Invite speakers to hold workshops about cultural, ethnic, or religious issues for the PTA board, your membership, parents, and students.
- Include current and emerging issues from all communities on your agenda and in your plans.

Step 4 - Build Awareness
- Be responsive to the language needs of others; provide assistance as needed.
- Remove physical barriers that discourage participation by those with disabilities.

Step 5 - Make Changes
- Plan meetings and activities that avoid conflicts with ethnic and religious holidays and observances or that make it difficult for working or single parents to attend.
- Work to understand and promote respect for the unique contributions of every family. Together they make your PTA an effective voice for all children.

Adapted in 2006 from “Respecting Differences Resource Guide”, National PTA. Thank you California PTA

Fund Your Healthy Lifestyles Program

Looking for a way to fund a program at your school that will help ensure that all students stay healthy and ready to learn? With the PTA Healthy Lifestyles Grants from National PTA, your unit could receive up to $1,000 to support activities planned for November's PTA Healthy Lifestyles Month. Grant applications are due by 5:00 p.m. EDT, Friday, September 10—giving you time this summer to work with your leadership team to put together a program and submit your application. The application form, event ideas, and other planning resources are available online at PTA.org/HealthyLifestyles.

Check your Official PTA Kit for another copy of the brand-new PTA Healthy Lifestyles family activities poster for your school. English- and Spanish-language versions of the poster are also now available online at PTA.org/GoodChoices.
TREASURERS! This is a reminder that Units need to file their 990-EZ or 990-N by November 15th. If your unit has gross receipts less than $25,000, just mark that on the form. There is no need to fill out the rest of the form. If it is more than $25,000 then the form needs to be filled out. For assistance completing the IRS Form go to www.pta.org. The instructions on the website tell you exactly how to fill out the form. You can also fill out the form on the IRS website. Once you have finished filling out the form by either website or hand copy, a copy of the 990-EZ or 990-N needs to be sent to the PTA State Office to remain in compliance. If you file online, we just need a copy of the IRS confirmation to be sure that this was filed. If you have any questions, please contact me for assistance.

Please remember to remit your dues monthly to the State Office. Please make sure to fill out the Treasurer Remittance Form. Don’t forget to fill out the back of the form and check any awards that pertain to your Unit!

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TREASURER’S!!
Do You Need Extra Help?

The Official PTA Kit – PTA’s Big Box of Possibilities is a kit of helpful resources from the National PTA. At the latter part of April or early May, Unit Presidents should have received a postcard in the mail to register online to receive this valuable Kit. The Kit started shipping to Units beginning June 19 through the end of October. The book, Money Matters, provides information for the unit treasurer, president, others handling money, and your board. Presidents, please give this book to the Treasurer. He/she will need this material to perform the treasurer’s duties correctly.

Unit presidents should have received the Summer Packet CD from their Region VP or it was mailed to them. It included the treasurer’s general information and remittance forms. Presidents, please make copies of this material for yourself and pass the material on to your treasurer. Materials are not mailed to the treasurer—all information is mailed only to the unit president.

The Kansas PTA Bulletin is published six times a year. Each issue contains information pertaining to the financial management of the PTA unit. The president, treasurer, ways and means chairman, and your board should know and understand the information. Presidents, if your treasurer does not subscribe to the Bulletin, please copy and share the financial information with them. Each unit president receives a complimentary copy of The Bulletin from KS PTA. Additional subscriptions are available for $10.

Please use your Kansas PTA Treasurer and other Kansas PTA Board members as resources. We are here to assist you and to help you understand your responsibilities. Our names and information on how to contact us are in each issue of The Bulletin.

Thanks,
Marie Thomas
Kansas PTA Treasurer
Awards in Education Dates/Deadlines

Kansas PTA provides the opportunity for the local units of Kansas to participate in seven (7) award programs; Citizenship Program, Reflections Program, Membership awards, Phoebe Apperson Hearst Family School Partnership Award, Virginia Peak Outstanding Leadership Award, Outstanding Educator Award and Outstanding Student Award. All deadlines refer to the postmark date for entries to be received. Please note in the right column to whom the entries are to be addressed to.

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Membership Awards

All dues sent to the Kansas PTA State Office must be postmarked by Tuesday, March 1, 2011 to be eligible for awards.

**Phoebe Apperson Hearst Family-School Partnership Awards**
(Guidelines and forms are available on the Summer Packet and at www.kansas-pta.org)
Friday, February 11, 2011 Kansas PTA Parent Involvement Chairman

**Virginia Peak Outstanding Leadership Award**
(Guidelines and forms are available on the Summer Packet and at www.kansas-pta.org)
Friday, March 4, 2011 Kansas PTA Vice President of Member Services

**Outstanding Educator Award**
(Guidelines and forms are available on the Summer Packet and at www.kansas-pta.org)
Friday, March 4, 2011 Kansas PTA Vice President of Member Services

**Outstanding Student Award**
(Guidelines and forms are available on the Summer Packet and at www.kansas-pta.org)
Friday, March 4, 2011 Kansas PTA Vice President of Member Services

Lauri DeNooy
Kansas PTA Arts in Education Chairman
Voting: How to make a Good Judgment Call -- Who Really Supports Public Education?

By Nancy Niles Lusk, KS PTA Vice President of Advocacy

Kansas is electing a new U.S. Senator and several new U.S. Congressmen in November's election, along with a new governor, other state officers, and State Board of Education members for Districts 3, 4& 7. All of the Kansas State Representatives positions are up for election.

Please take time to research the candidates running for office. Newspapers can be good sources for overviews of the candidates' positions. If all else fails, it is usually possible to contact the candidates and/or their campaigns directly with your questions.

In making evaluations of who to vote for, we encourage our members to consider which candidates genuinely support public education, as well as other children's issues.

Here are some pointers to help make that judgment call, especially at the state level:

A red flag of concern is if a candidate says he or she supports legislation that would only allow revenue increases to be enacted by a state legislative with a supermajority vote of either 2/3's or 3/5's, instead of a simple majority vote. This rigid rule would greatly restrict the ability of the state to fund anything.

One reason states need the flexibility to increase taxes is so they will be able to cover the costs for new or increased unfunded mandates that the federal government pushes off on the states to pay out of their existing budgets. Three major federal education mandates that have never been fully funded are NCLB, Title 1, IDEA/Spec Ed.

Kansas public education funding is often unfairly criticized for a 50% increase passed in 2005 which was to take place over several years. It does sound like a lot, but not if you understand the following: the Consumer Price Index rose 65% from 1990 to mid 2005, and during the same time Kansas public education funding had been kept relatively flat. The state was sued for the big hole it had allowed to accumulate over the years, and the Kansas Supreme Court ruled the funding of schools was inadequate. And now the majority of that increase has been cut because of the recession. Ask what a candidate's opinion is about this to discover if he or she has a full understanding of the issue.

Be wary if a candidate supports a state constitutional amendment for a restrictive tax and expenditure limitation called "TABOR: Tax Payer Bill of Rights" or "Spending Limitation Movement." Colorado remains the only state to have passed such an approach (1992), but because they had such problematic results and drops in performance rankings they have backtracked on much of the law, especially concerning education funding. For more information, here are a couple of web addresses: http://www.tellthetruth.com/uploads/FF_fullreport.pdf; http://www.tellthetruth.com/uploads/FF_summary.pdf

Don't assume candidates who push for lower state spending to improve the state economy to always have the best solution. Kansas and the other highest educated states in this region, who coincidently spend more on K-12 and higher Ed, are also the top economic performers!

Oklahoma has the lowest tax burden relative to other states regionally, but it also consistently ranks low in student performance. Oklahoma has the worst regional economy; it ranks last in per capita income and has the highest poverty rate.

Excessive state taxing and spending is, of course, not a great thing, but be careful about assuming tax cuts will always help and not hurt the economy -- especially when answering the need to educate tomorrow's work force (today's students) to be competitive.

Does the candidate understand that the public schools have ever increasing expectations of them without increased resources to match? Schools now have responsibilities that used to be considered social services. Another example is with the No Child Left Behind law the schools must have every single student reaching proficiency by 2014; this is a feat never before accomplished in history.

Does the candidate understand the rising expenses school districts face? That transportation, utility and insurance expenses have risen dramatically? That the number of children who qualify for free and reduced lunched had risen greatly before, but now with the recession it has really gone up? That the number of special needs kids is also increasing?

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Every candidate says he or she supports quality education. However, some have given up on the public schools, and what they may really mean is that they support vouchers instead. Kansas public schools are performing well, and are still the best investment for the money.

This past legislative session, there were legislators who recognized the value of good schools and how a competitive well-educated work force helps the economy in our state. They voted to prevent more cuts to public education, because the schools' general operating funds (called the "Base State Aid Per Pupil") had already suffered a large 9.5% cut below the previous year's funding. But in order to dodge more harm, legislation also had to be passed to raise the necessary funds with a temporary three year sales tax increase of one cent -- a hard choice, but fortunately, enough legislators gave priority to the needs of children.

Contrary to some existing misinformation, there was not a genuine alternative plan in the legislature which would have kept total Kansas public education funding at the same level as the current year and avoided more cuts without a tax increase.

Technically, the state could have kept the funds the state is currently providing K-12 education at the same level without increasing state taxes, but the cuts to schools would still have happened. That is because not all of the current funding the schools are receiving is coming from the state. The federal government gave the state temporary money to help plug in the shortfall hole of state funding, but that money is to expire. The legislature could have allowed for local school districts to increase their local property taxes more to avoid the cuts. Since those taxes are not technically state taxes, the claim that a tax raise wasn't needed for a solution was based on the idea that state tax increases weren't needed, but for the taxpayer there still would have been a tax increase (property tax) to ward off more cuts to schools with this false solution. That was the reality that loomed for the legislators, no magic solution.

If a candidate says that big cuts can be made "outside the classroom," ask for an explanation. It is good if they value the jobs teachers do and want to make teacher salaries competitive, but teachers can’t do it alone. Ask the candidate to define the personnel they think need to be cut. Do they think the jobs that administrators and personnel staff do are not of value?

Ask them if they know of any business that runs effectively without a leader? Superintendents are the CEOs that focus both students and teachers on strong performance.

Does the candidate think the schools can really do the job without librarians, school nurses, and teachers who provide core curriculum, art, music, and physical education? What about the general support staff, like front office secretaries, cafeteria workers, janitors, bus drivers, and central office clerks who pay the bills? Then there are student and staff support, including assistant/associate superintendents, building principals, staff and curriculum developers, social workers, psychologists, and counselors. Do they appreciate that most school districts have already made severe cuts in these personnel areas?

A couple of final thoughts:

The candidates are usually much more willing to listen and be open to points of view while running for office than after being elected. This is the ideal time to contact them and get to know them in order to get the maximum results for your effort.

I have found the vast majority of candidates and legislators, regardless of their political points of view, to be sincere and approachable. It pays off in the long run to always be polite and respectful.

You know what I mean, the PTA way.

Nancy Niles Lusk
Kansas PTA Vice President of Advocacy

Reminder:
Please send the legislative chair's name for your unit to the Kansas PTA office to receive regular updates on important legislative issues in Kansas. Also, please to go National PTA web site (www.pta.org) to sign up for the PTA Take Action network. This will allow you to receive updates on issues at the national level, which are of importance to our children.
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
KANSAS PTA
STATE CONVENTION
APRIL 29 – MAY 1, 2011

Holiday Inn Convention Center
200 McDonald Drive
Lawrence, KS
Workshops – Idea Sharing – Networking
Leadership Training – Key Note Speakers – Exhibitors

DON’T FORGET TO:
SHARE the date with all board members and unit members
INVITE them to attend
BUDGET money for delegates to attend convention

The Convention Registration Materials packet will be mailed to each Unit President in January.
Information will also be available on the Kansas PTA Website
www.kansas-pta.org
Safety Recall Information

Previously recalled products are one of the top hidden hazards in the home. Most recall information never reaches a family until tragedy strikes. Tens of millions of children are needlessly exposed to unsafe products, toys and foods that have been recalled by the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

This is why National PTA has partnered with Consumer Reports and the National School Boards Association to form the School Safety Alert Program. The School Safety Alert program located at www.consumerreports.org/schoolsafety will alert parents, school administrators, and educators immediately to imminent dangers and allow them to remove potentially dangerous even lethal products from their homes and schools.

Please visit www.consumerreports.org/schoolsafety to sign up for the School Safety alert system and to read the latest safety recalls and information relevant to our children’s safety.

Military Family Support

PTA believes in supporting our military families working to ensure transitions for children do not cause barriers to education. Below is the resolution that was passed by delegates to the National PTA convention in Memphis in June. For additional resources and information as well as the compacts mentioned in the resolution, please visit the National PTA website at www.pta.org and click on programs.

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REMEMINDER!!
Please remember that the Pledge of Allegiance should always be a part of your unit meetings. The Pledge of Allegiance is an honored activity, one that sets the United States apart. It should always be included on your meeting agenda. Thank you!