PTA Leader,

LAPTA, like you, is still addressing issues related to the ongoing pandemic. We did not predict that COVID-19 would still be affecting our communities, our schools, and the way we conduct PTA business as we move through the school year. We realize that many of you have not been able to conduct the necessary meetings to accomplish the tasks required to update bylaws and complete good standing packets. In response, LAPTA has decided to extend the deadline for updating local unit bylaws and good standing packets.

**Bylaws Update Deadline**

The deadline for local units that need to update bylaws has been extended to June 30, 2021.

1. You must follow the rules set forth in your current bylaws to update your bylaws. Please note that if your bylaws require updating, but your unit is not making any changes, you must still vote and the follow all procedures to for updating bylaws.

2. Refer to Local Units By-Laws Addendum #1 on [http://www.louisianapta.com/](http://www.louisianapta.com/) and [Lead a PTA Virtually](http://www.louisianapta.com/) from National PTA for information and guidance on how to run your meetings and voting procedures.

**Good Standing Requirements Deadline**

The deadline for units to remain in good standing with their district and LAPTA has been extended to January 1, 2021.

1. You must still complete and turn in all other requirements for good standing as required by your district in order to maintain your good standing and to participate in grants, scholarships, cultural arts, or any other programs offered by your District, LAPTA (State), or National PTA.
2. Check with your district for good standing requirements. These can be found on your district’s website: St. Tammany District PTA and Caddo District PTA.

3. In order for your PTA Reflections winners to be accepted at the state level with the possibility of continuing to the national level, your unit must be in good standing by January 1, 2021.

On behalf of LAPTA, thank you for all you do to support our children and their families by continuing to lead with selflessness, flexibility, and fortitude during these uncertain times.

Sincerely,

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