

# HSD PTA COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

PTA's mission is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.



## IMPORTANT FINANCIAL DEADLINES FOR YOUR PTA UNIT

- 11/15 - Deadline to file IRS 990 e-postcard**
- 12/1 - Deadline to send Year-end Financial Review & Report to MOPTA**

Two important due dates are fast approaching. The first is November 15th, the date by which PTA Units should file their 990 e-postcard with the IRS. This is necessary for your unit to maintain its tax-exempt status. The process is easy - just click on [this link](http://www.file990.org) (www.file990.org) and enter the required information. If you do not know your unit's EIN number, just reach out to us.

The second upcoming deadline is December 1st; this is the date that your Year-end Financial Review and Report are due to MOPTA. For help with these tasks you can view our online tutorial [here](#) or click on [this link](#) for information and forms at Missouri PTA.

Missouri PTA is also hosting a \$afe and \$ecure Workshop via Zoom on November 12th at either 10 am or 7 pm that will go over the basics of PTA finances - everything from budgets to monthly and annual financial reports. Click [here](#) to register for the 10 am session or [here](#) for the 7 pm session.



## Upcoming Events

- 11/12 (THURSDAY)  
MOPTA  
\$AFE & \$ECURE WORKSHOP  
[10 AM](#) OR [7PM](#)
- 11/14 (SATURDAY)  
HELP HAZELWOOD GET HEALTHY  
RESOURCE EVENT (DRIVE-THRU)  
@CENTRAL HIGH  
10AM - 2PM
- 11/17 (TUESDAY)  
BOE MEETING  
6:30PM
- 11/19 (THURSDAY)  
PTA COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING  
6:30PM  
[ZOOM LINK](#)
- 11/19 (THURSDAY)  
MOPTA ZOOMING INTO  
MEMBERSHIP  
7:30PM  
[LINK TO REGISTER](#)

# ZOOMING INTO MEMBERSHIP THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH

Missouri PTA, in conjunction with National PTA, is hosting the 2nd Membership event in a series called Zooming into Membership (ZIM). This event will spotlight local units across the state to share ideas on growing and retaining PTA membership. This month's guests are representatives from Walker PTA (Hazelwood) and Central PTSA (Springfield). Everyone will have time to ask questions and share ideas. You are invited to join us via Zoom for this exciting event on November 19th at 7:30pm! Please register in advance by clicking on [this link](#).

Save the date for future ZIM's:  
February 25th, 2021 & April 29, 2021



## HELP HAZELWOOD GET HEALTHY!

Wash. Mask. Distance.



Help us spread the word about the Hazelwood School District's new campaign to improve the health of those who work and live in the HSD area - **Help Hazelwood Get Healthy**. Our zip codes have some of the highest infection rates of Covid-19 and our students will not be able to return to in-person learning until the health of our entire community improves. The Help Hazelwood Get Healthy campaign encourages everyone to **wear a mask, practice social distancing and wash their hands**. Learn more about the campaign [here](#).

HSD will also sponsor a Help Hazelwood Get Healthy resource event on **Saturday, November 14th at Hazelwood Central High School from 10am to 2pm**. This will be a strictly drive-thru event and they will be handing out free kits containing thermometers, disposable masks, information about Covid-19 symptoms/testing and a community resource guide. 10,000 kits are available and will be handed out one per Hazelwood family until supplies are gone. Find out more information [here](#).



## BYLAWS UPDATE

In October the Missouri PTA approved a new mandatory bylaw update. This new section allows for all Units and Councils to hold electronic meetings for ALL meetings. The only requirement is that every attendee must be able to hear, comment and vote simultaneously with all other attendees. Simply put, every PTA Unit has the ability to hold general membership meetings and conduct business via Zoom, Google Meets, Free Conference Call or similar online platform. There is nothing your Unit needs to do, this is a mandatory change to all bylaws and is automatically in effect for all PTA Units. If you have any questions please contact us.



## THE IMPORTANCE OF MONTHLY PTA MEETINGS

Virtual learning is our new normal right now and it can be stressful for both parents and students. Please remember how important holding monthly PTA meetings (via Zoom or other online platform) can be for your school community. These meetings give parents an opportunity to connect with other parents and with their school's teachers and administration. If you need any help on how to run a virtual meeting, contact us.

Two topics HSD would like us to share at your next monthly meeting include:

- The list of community resources available to our families. Find the complete list [here](#).
- The Board of Education's Statement of Solidarity (their action plan to combat systemic racism). Read the full statement [here](#).



### HELPFUL LINKS:

[Hazelwood PTA Council](#)

[Hazelwood School District](#)

[Contact HSD PTA Council](#)

[Missouri PTA](#)

[Donate to HSD PTA Council](#)

[National PTA](#)