# Michigan PTA 100<sup>th</sup> Convention 2018 Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow

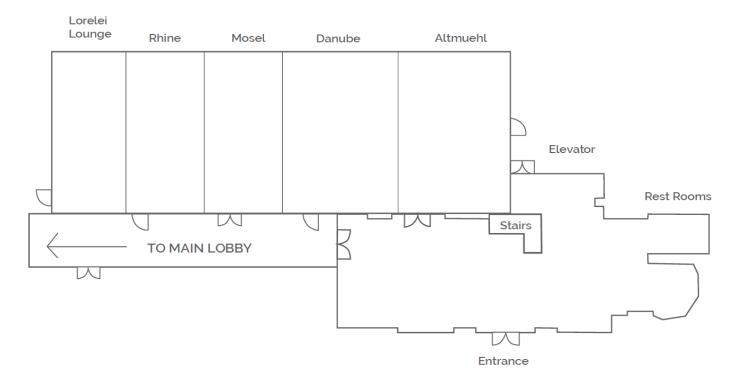


**On-site Convention Program** 

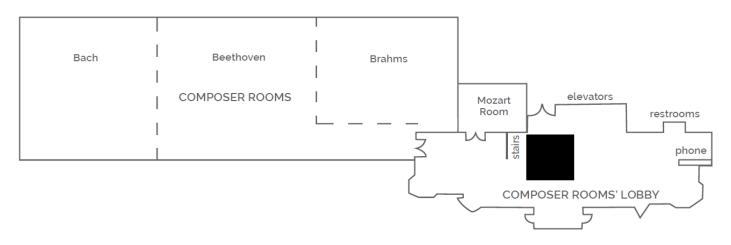
July 13-14, 2018 Bavarian Inn Lodge, Frankenmuth, MI

# Convention Site Layout

### **Lower Floor**



### **Upper Floor**



# Convention at a Glance

# Thursday, July 12

12:00 pm - 5:00 pm PTA Table at River Place - Pick up your scavenger hunt form, complete it and win Arcade tokens!

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Welcome Party in the Fun Center (pre-registration required)

# Friday, July 13

8:00 am – 6:00 pm Registration

8:00 am – 9:00 am Breakfast (Beethoven)
8:30 am – 9:00 am First Timers (Altmuehl)

9:00 am – 9:45 am **General Session 1 (Beethoven)** 

10:00 am - 10:45 am PTA Olympics (Family Welcome!)

11:00 pm - 12:00 am Workshop Session 1

#101 Effective Communication (Altmuehl)

#102 Human Trafficking: What Parents Need to Know (Danube)

#103 Sending the Right Signals to Fathers for Student Success (Mosel)

#104 YES: Engaging High School Students in PTSA (Rhine)

12:15 pm – 1:30 pm General Session 2 / Lunch (Beethoven)

1:40 pm - 2:40 pm Workshop Session 2

#201 High School Voter Registration How-To's (Altmuehl)

#202 Essential Skills to Add to Children's Social Toolbox (Danube)
#203 OK2SAY - Stop the Silence. Help End the Violence (Mosel)

#204 YES: Human Trafficking: What Parents Need to Know (Rhine)

2:50 pm - 3:50 pm Workshop Session 3

#301 Connecting Kids to Their Futures (Altmuehl)

#302 The Why, What, & When of Advocacy (Danube)

#303 Parents and Their Role in PA 306 - Third Grade Reading Law (Mosel)

#304 YES: OK2SAY - Stop the Silence. Help End the Violence (Rhine)

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm Workshop Session 4

#401 How Social Media Can Help Your PTA (Altmuehl) #402 Engaging High School Students in PTSA (Danube)

#403 Developing Collaborative Partnerships Through the IEP Process (Mosel)

#404 YES: Connecting You with Your Future (Rhine)

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# Convention at a Glance (Continued)

5:30 pm - 8:30 pm General Session 3 / Awards Dinner (Beethoven)

Keynote: The Inspirational History of PTA

Grace Preston, Past President

8:30 pm - 11:00 pm Convention Party (Family Welcome!)

# Saturday, July 14

7:30 am - 12:00 pm Registration 7:30 am - 8:00 am Breakfast (Beethoven) 8:00 am - 9:00 am Workshop Session 5: Leadership Training #501 Presidents (Brahms) #502 Secretaries (Altmuehl) #503 Treasurers (Danube) #504 What, How, & Why of Membership (Mosel) #505 How to get the most out of MemberHub (Rhine) 9:10 am - 10:10 am Workshop Session 6: Leadership Training #601 Conflict Resolution (Brahms) #602 Parliamentary Procedures: What All Officer's Need to Know (Altmuehl) #603 How to Run an Effective Reflections Program (Danube) #604 "Build a Member": Understanding Membership (Mosel) #605 Building Confidence, Connection & Leadership in Teens Through Writing (Rhine) 10:00 am - 1:00 pm Exhibit Hall (Composer Room's Lobby) 11:00 am - 12:15 pm One on One Coaching with PTA State Leaders and Past-Presidents: Sign-up at the registration desk (Brahms) 11:30 am - 12:30 pm YES: Wrap-up (Rhine) Lunch (Composer Room's Lobby) Wit & Wisdom: Chatting with Past Presidents (Beethoven) 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm General Session 4 / Local Unit Officer Installations / Centennial Presentation (Beethoven) Notes

# My Schedule

Use this summary of the workshop sessions to help plan your time at convention.

Connecting You with Your Future (Rhine)

Friday, July	13	Saturday, July 14
#101 #102 #103	Effective Communication (Altmuehl) Human Trafficking: What Parents Need to Know (Danube) Sending the Right Signals to Fathers for Student Success (Mosel) Youth Engagement Summit (YES): Engaging High School Students in PTSA (Rhine)	8:00 am - 9:00 am Workshop Session 5: Leadership Training  #501 Presidents (Brahms)  #502 Secretaries (Altmuehl)  #503 Treasurers (Danube)  #504 What, How, & Why of Membership (Mosel)  #505 How to get the most out of MemberHub (Rhine)
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#301	Workshop Session 3 Connecting Kids to Their Futures (Altmuehl) The Why, What, & When of Advocacy (Danube) Parents and Their Role in PA 306 - Third Grade Reading Law (Mosel)	11:00 am - 12:20 pm One on One Coaching (Brahms) 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm Wit & Wisdom: Chatting with Past Presidents (Beethoven)
#304	Youth Engagement Summit (YES): OK2SAY - Stop the Silence. Help End the Violence (Rhine)	Is this your first PTA convention?
#401	Workshop Session 4  How Social Media Can Help Your PTA (Altmuehl)  Engaging High School Students in PTSA (Danube)  Developing Collaborative Partnerships	Confused about what to do or where to go? Your first time at convention can be overwhelming. Join other first timers and learn the fundamentals for surviving convention and have fun too! Your Michigan PTA Leaders and Past Presidents will teach you everything you need to know.  8:30 am – 9:00 am First Timers (Altmeuhl)
#404	Through the IEP Process (Mosel) Youth Engagement Summit (YES):	





Welcome fellow PTA Members,

I want to say thank you for participating in your state convention. A special welcome to all first timers.

This gathering is an opportunity to share and celebrate our PTA Mission. Whether you're here to conduct the business of your PTA, take home a well-deserved award or celebrate with the families of our renowned Reflections Program, this is your time to gather and reflect upon your success and

prepare for the challenges that you may face ahead.

The world of PTA is dynamic. We must continue to adapt to the ever-changing environment while meeting the challenges and needs of our current and prospective membership. While our Mission has been time-tested and continues to be relevant to today's parents, teachers and students, we must be mindful of how we communicate and instill these landmark values into the membership base of tomorrow in order to be successful.

PTA has been enhancing the lives our nation's children for more than 120 years. We've kept America's children safe with the enactment of child labor laws, gave them a head start with universal kindergarten, made sure they were fed through the National School Lunch Program and right now, we're making sure families are involved in improving K-12 education with the implementation of the Every Student Succeeds Act.

Advocacy is how we have been and continue to be the voice for all children. Your attendance at this convention is a testament to your dedication and passion as you advocate as leaders and shape our children's lives today and into the future.

State conventions are a great opportunity to network, collaborate and learn. Everyone here shares your passion and drive to support all children. This is your opportunity to make long-lasting relationships and strengthen the network of voices that creates the One PTA voice.

It's an important time to be a PTA member. I implore you to embrace everything your state convention has to offer and to share everything you learn here with your community when you get home. Thank you for your continued support as we help build the path to equitable education. I appreciate all you do for PTA and for our nation's children. Together, let's make this a great convention!

Sincerely,

James L. Accomando National PTA President

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# President's Welcome



Welcome to the 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Michigan PTA Convention!

I am excited to preside over this historic event as Michigan PTA moves into its second century of advocacy, training, and empowerment.

This past year has been an exciting re-introduction of PTA and the parent voice in Michigan: we have much to celebrate and it's all because of you!

My hope for you this weekend is that you and your family will enjoy the program and events the Convention and Centennial Committees have coordinated for you. Meet new people, learn as much as you can, ask questions, and be prepared to take back great resources and information to your schools and parents.

Thank you for coming to your convention! I look forward to greeting you personally throughout the weekend.

waiting for you!

Interested?
Need more
information?

Speak to an Officer or Board

Member during Convention and
submit the Prospective

Volunteer Form included in your
convention bag.

Sibyl Collins Wilson
Michigan PTA President

Connect. Commit. Champion.

# From the Convention Chair



On behalf of your Centennial Convention Committee, I would like to welcome you to your 100th Annual Convention!

The committee has worked very hard to make this convention a great experience for you. We've increased the number of workshops this year so that you can get the most out of your time. Friday sessions are focused on our role as a parent or guardian. Saturday is all about Leadership Training. Look at the session descriptions for more information.

The committee also wanted to ensure that there was something for everyone. We have incorporated events for the entire family. Bring the whole family (registered for convention or not) to the PTA Olympics Friday morning to compete for prizes and bragging rights! Then Friday night after Awards Dinner the convention party is back, and open to everyone. Come out and shake your groove thing with the PTA Leadership.

Finally, between the learning and fun, don't forget to network! Get to know your state leaders, and leaders from other local chapters. Growing your PTA community is one of the biggest advantages of attending convention. That includes me, if you see me in the halls let me know what you think of the event.

Tonya Whitehead, PhD Convention Chair

# You don't want to miss

# PTA Olympics

### Friday 10:00 AM

Does your family have what it takes to be the champions? Bring the entire family to compete in a series of "Minute to Win It" challenges. The families with the quickest times with prizes!

### Awards and Scholarships

### **Friday Evening**

During the evening festivities, we will begin by highlighting the achievements of our Units and Councils and recognize some special awardees. The Scholarship Committee will present the winners of this year's Fran Anderson Scholarship as we celebrate our tenth year of assisting local youth with college expenses.

### Local Unit Officer Installation

### **Closing Session Saturday**

All newly elected officers from local units are invited to take part in the Officer Installation Ceremony at convention.

Michigan PTA Board Members will welcome you into your new role with a small token from Michigan PTA.

### Exhibit Hall

### Saturday 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Come meet vendors and businesses offering fundraisers and services that you can take back to your teams. We will have a Passport that will be the key to someone's success as those who complete it gain opportunities for special giveaways.

### One on One PTA Coaching

### Saturday 11:00 am - 12:15 pm

Want to understand more about the Standards of Affiliation? Looking for special information in a particular area? Want to meet up with a new contact you just met? We will have mini clinics happening in the Exhibit Hall to keep you engaged and learning at all times.

# Convention Party

### Friday after dinner

Back by popular demand! End the first day of convention by dancing the night way with DJ Heatwave.

# Featured Speaker

### **Friday Evening Keynote: Grace M Preston**



Grace has a passion for PTA and she loves to share that passion with others. Her involvement In PTA began after moving to Michigan in 1980. She spent many years in Rochester as president of several local units and the council. Her first position on Michigan Board of Managers (now known as the Board of Directors)

was as a Field Representative for Region D. Following this Field Service Director, Vice President for Legislative Activity, First Vice President. Learning all she could as she went up the ladder to President. She then served National PTA as Region 4 Director for 2 years, responsible for training state boards in Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin.

# Youth Engagement Summit (YES)

### **Engaging High School Students in PTSA**

Students and Leaders from a successful PTSA talk about what they do to keep students involved and what you can do as you grow in PTA.

# Human Trafficking How Young People Can Protect Themselves

Human trafficking is an increasingly prevalent problem in Michigan. This presentation seeks to help participants recognize and report potential trafficking violations.

### OK2SAY - Stop the Silence. Help End the Violence

All students, school staff, parents, and community members have a critical role to play in observing, recognizing and responding to signs of youth high-risk behavior. Timely, effective interventions and ongoing prevention - in addressing bullying, suicide, self-injury, drugs, depression and anxiety - are critical components to student safety, well-being- and success. Learn how your school can utilize OK2SAY, a FREE student safety program.

### **Connecting You with Your Future**

Participants will hear how students can get an edge on their future through Career and Technical Education programs, while simultaneously helping employers build a talent pipeline.

# Michigan PTA Fran Anderson Scholarship

The Fran Anderson Michigan PTA Scholarship was created as a way to recognize high school seniors who have demonstrated leadership and advocacy skills through participation in PTA. A minimum of one \$1,000 scholarship is awarded each year and additional scholarships and/or scholarships of varying amounts are awarded based on available funds.

The late Fran Anderson, past Michigan PTA President, always demonstrated the highest level of advocacy for all children and her leadership continues to have a positive impact on Michigan PTA. To honor her many years of being a champion for children, the scholarship was named in her honor.

Scholarship recipients are selected by a committee comprised of Michigan PTA Past Presidents based on the following criteria: PTA/PTSA involvement, essay, community service, additional activities, academics and letters of recommendation.



### Michigan PTA Fran Anderson Scholarship Winners

Year	Name	High School/City
2007	Richard Jenkins	Allen Park High School/Allen Park
2008	Christopher Naffze	Franklin High School/Livonia
2009	Andrew Lyon	Edsel Ford High School/Dearborn
2010	Kaleb Bell	Crockett Technical High School/Detroit
2011	Kristin Garr	Rochester High School/Rochester
2012	Jessica Nahas	Hazel Park High School/Hazel Park
2013*	Kate Diehl	Farmington High School/Farmington
	Kathleen George	North Farmington High School/Farmington
	Kevin Cline	Stoney Creek High School/Rochester Hills
2014	Erin McDonald	Churchill High School/Livonia
	Michelle Zabat	Stoney Creek High School/Rochester Hills
	Brenden Wilk	Churchill High School/Livonia
2015	Olivia Rollinger	North Farmington High School/Farmington
	Elizabeth Hasley	Royal Oak High School/Royal Oak
	Maya Jamison	Harrison High School/Farmington Hills
2016	Nicholas Luty	Harrison High School/Farmington Hills
	Grace Tolen	Churchill High School/Livonia
	Jennifer Cline	Stoney Creek High School/Rochester Hills
2017	Steven Szymanski	Allen Park High/Allen Park
	Alexis Browning	Franklin High/Livonia

<sup>\*</sup>Beginning in 2013, the committee expanded to add runner-up scholarships. Beginning with the Centennial, the goal is to offer renewable scholarships.

# Convention Procedures

### **Pre-Registered Delegates**

- Delegates must present their current membership card at the Registration Desk, where badges and packets will be issued.
- 2. Non-PTA registrants should report to the Registration Desk, where badges and packets will be issued.
- 3. To receive a voting credential card, delegates must present their signed proof of voting status card at registration. The voting credentials card will be issued at that time.

### **On-Site Registration**

- 1. Delegates must present their current membership card at the On-Site Registration Desk.
- 2. To receive a voting credential card, delegates must present their signed proof of voting status card at registration. The voting credentials card will be issued at that time.
- 3. Upon payment of the registration fee, a badge and registration materials will be issued.

### **Other Convention Procedures**

- 1. At the Registration Desk, guests invited by the State President will be issued a Guest Badge, which they must show for admission to any Michigan PTA Convention event.
- 2. Representatives of the media will be admitted to meetings upon presentation of press credentials. These badges must be obtained from the Registration Desk.
- 3. Reporters with Michigan PTA Press Passes will be permitted to sit in the nonvoting section of all general meetings in order to cover the proceedings. If they wish to question or interview general meeting participants, however, they must make arrangements through the Executive Director. Any registered attendee who is approached by a reporter directly is not required or expected to respond to the reporter's questions at that time. Instead, the participant may refer the reporter to the Michigan PTA Office to try and set up an interview at their mutual convenience.
- 4. No exhibits, literature, or materials other than those of the Michigan PTA or its service agencies shall be displayed or distributed unless approved by the Executive Director or President.
- 5. Only those individuals or groups who have secured a space in the exhibit area may sell or distribute any material at the Convention. All demonstrations and sales activities must be confined to the limits of the exhibit booth unless otherwise provided for by the Convention Program Committee.

# Convention General Information:

### Name Badges:

Name badges are required for admittance to all Convention functions including workshops, general meetings, meals and the exhibit hall.

### **Voting Credentials:**

Voting credential cards are required when voting during general meetings and elections.

### **General Sessions:**

1st General Session beginning Friday at 9:00 am

2<sup>nd</sup> General Session beginning Friday at 12:15 pm

3<sup>rd</sup> General Session beginning Friday at 5:00 pm

4th General Session beginning Saturday at 1:30 pm

# Rules and Voting

### **General Convention Rules**

- Visiting, non-voting delegates shall have all the privileges of the convention except making motions, debating and voting.
- Delegates are required to wear badges at all times for identification and to receive special privileges. Badges are required for admission to all meetings including workshops, meals and exhibits.
- When the convention body is participating in a counted vote, the doors will be closed and admission will only be granted at the end of the vote, when the chair has announced the results of the vote.
- 4. When delegates are unable to hear the speaker, they are to inform the teller at the nearest microphone in order that the participants on the platform may be informed.
- Messages, motions, or communications shall be carried by the pages only. No one may make a personal communication with the Chair, except in cases of emergency.
- Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the Convention on parliamentary procedure in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not in conflict with the Michigan PTA or National PTA.
- 7. All student activities must be approved prior to the Convention by the Convention Program Committee, in accordance with Student Participation Guidelines.
- 8. Any youth that is not a voting or visiting delegate must be accompanied by his or her parent or adult chaperone at all times, and will be admitted to all functions, including paid meals, with a guest badge.
- 9. An alternate filling the place of an absent delegate must register at the registration desk upon arrival at Convention.
- There shall be no smoking in any General Meeting, planned meals or workshops.
- 11. Use of cellular phones and audible pagers will not be allowed in General Meetings and workshops.
- 12. A Minutes Audit Committee of three persons shall be appointed by the Convention Chair. The Convention minutes shall be approved by the Convention Minutes Audit Committee and ratified by the Board of Directors at its fall meeting.
- 13. No exhibits, literature or materials other than those of Michigan PTA or its service agencies shall be displayed or distributed unless approved by the Executive Committee or the state president.

### **Obtaining and Using Voting Credentials**

Every PTA/PTSA unit and council that has fulfilled current Standards of Affiliation (SOA) is eligible for voting credentials and should send delegates to convention. A voting credential is allotted (1) to the President and one Vice President of a Council (or their alternate), (2) to the President of a Local Unit (or their alternate) plus one additional credential for every fifty members of the unit. Eligible Local Unit and Council Presidents will provide information on how they would like to have their voting delegates assigned prior to the Convention. Additionally, Past Presidents of Michigan PTA and current Michigan PTA Board Members also are awarded voting privileges associated with their position.

If you were notified that you are to receive voting credentials, please state that when you register. Unless the President has indicated otherwise, delegates will be assigned privileges on a first-come, first-served basis.

You must have your membership verified before obtaining voting credentials.

### **Delegates Speaking and Voting Procedures**

- 1. Delegates will show their voting credential cards for the privilege of making motions, debating and voting.
- Delegates wishing to speak shall go to the nearest appropriate microphone and await recognition of the Chair before speaking. Upon being recognized, delegates shall give their name in full, city or county, and the name of the local unit or council, or member of the Board of Directors.
- All motions must be presented in writing to the chair and signed with full name, city or county and the name of the local unit/council represented, or Board of Directors.
- 4. A voting member may speak for only two (2) minutes at one time on any question under discussion and only twice on the same question. No delegate may speak for the second time until all delegates seeking recognition have had the opportunity to speak. All speakers shall conform to the signal of the Timekeeper.
- 5. No item of business, including bylaws and resolutions, may be on the floor for more than thirty (30) minutes (excluding all points of order, points of information, voting and procedural issues.) Within this time frame, the Chair shall recognize delegates "for" and "against" motions in alternating order. In order to extend debate time, a delegate must move to extend debate, which requires a second, is amendable, is not debatable, and requires a 2/3 rising vote. There shall be a limit of three (3) ten (10) minute extensions on each item of business.

# Parliamentary Procedures

To expedite convention business, the following procedures will be used:

### Microphones

- There will be microphones numbered 1 and 2 on the floor.
- Microphone #1 will be used for Debate, Proposing Main Motions and Higher-ranking Motions, and for Points of Information.
- Microphone #1 will be used by delegates wishing to speak For and Against a motion or amendment.
- Microphone #2 will be used by delegates wishing to Move the Previous Question, Make a Request, Parliamentary Inquiry, Point
  of Order, an Appeal, or to Raise a Question of Privilege.

### **Cards**

Green Cards (microphone #1)

Debate: Speak For a motion.

Red Cards (microphone #1)

**Debate:** Speak *Against* a motion.

White Cards (microphone #1)

**Debate:** To *Propose* motions of higher rank that are in order; **Point of Information**, to ask the chair a question.

White Cards (microphone #2)

**Requests, Inquiries, Points of Order,** and **Appeals:** Can interrupt a delegate speaking in debate if urgency requires it. No second required except in the case of **Appeal.** 

- A. Raise Question of Privilege:
  - 1. To protect the rights and privileges of the assembly or any delegate;
  - 2. Used for the Comfort of the assembly (concerning temperature or ventilation, audio problems, disturbances);
  - The chair decides.
- B. To Request a Withdrawal of a Motion.
- C. Call for a Division (requesting the vote be taken again by rising and may be made from the floor without going to the microphone).
- D. Division of the Question (if any part of the pending question is capable of standing alone to be discussed and voted on).
- E. Points of Order: Raised by a delegate who calls attention to a violation of the rules.
- F. Appeal: Requires a second and is made when the delegate does not agree with the ruling of the chair. The appeal must be made immediately at the time of the ruling; a majority vote or tie vote sustains the chair.
- G. Parliamentary Inquiry: To ask the chair
  - 1. Aquestionabout parliamentary procedure;
  - 2. If a certain motion is in order.

### **Amendments**

The motion "to amend" is used to modify the wording of the pending motion before the pending motion itself is voted upon. Delegates should use the proper terminology and identify the position in the motion where the amendment should be placed. The processes for amending are the following:

- · Insert words or add at the end
- Strike out words
- Strike out and insert
- Substitute never less than a complete paragraph

Two amendments may be pending at one time. The primary (first) amendment must be germane – related – to the motion. The secondary (second) amendment must be germane to the primary amendment. Amendments require a majority vote.

All motions must be presented in writing on forms obtained from the microphone attendants.

# **Parliamentary Chart - Ranking Motions**

	e of Motion in r of Rank	May Interrupt	Requires Recognitions	Requires a Second	May Be Debated	May Be Amended	Vote Required Majority or 2/3	May Be Reconsidered	Principal Purpose	Phraseology of Motion
	Fix the Time to which to Adjourn		Х	X		X	X (M)	X	To set the time, and sometimes the place, for another meeting or continue business of the present session	I move that when we adjourn, we adjourn to meet at (time, place).
	Adjourn		Х	Х			X (M)		To close the meeting.	I move to adjourn.
Privileged	Recess		X	Х		Х	X (M)		To authorize a short, immediate intermission while a motion is pending.	I move to Recess until (or for).
Privil	Raise a Question of a Privilege	X					X*		To permit an urgent request that rights and privileges of assembly or members be taken up at once.	I raise to a question of privilege.
	Call for the Orders of the Day	Х					X*		To require the assembly to conform to its agenda, program, or order of business.	I call for the orders of the day.
	Lay on the Table		X	X			(M)		To lay the pending question aside temporarily when something more urgent has arisen.	I move to lay on the table
	Previous Question (Stop Debate)		X	Х			X (2/3)	X*	To close debate and bring the assembly to an immediate vote on one or more pending questions.	I move the previous question. (or) I call for the previous question.
	Limit or Extend Limits of Debate		X	X		Х	X (2/3)	X*	To exercise special control over debate on a pending question or a series of pending questions.	I move that the debate be limited to (or) I move that debate be extended to
ary	Postpone to a Certain Time		X	Х	Х	Х	X (M)	X	To defer action on a pending question to a definite day, meeting, or a certain event.	I move to postpone until
Subidia	Commit or Refer		X	X	X	X	(M)	X*	To refer a pending question to a relatively small group of selected persons to investigate or to act.	I move to refer the motion to
	Amend		X	Х	X*	Х	X (M)	X	To modify the wording of a pending motion before the motion itself is acted on.	I move to amend by
	Postpone Indefin- itely		X	Х	Х		X (M)	X*	To decline to take a position on the main question; to avoid taking a direct vote.	I move to postpone indefinitely.
	Main Motion		X	Х	Х	X	X (M)	X	To bring business before the assembly.	I move that

<sup>\*</sup> Consult Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised for special rules and exceptions.



# **Important Dates to Remember 2018-2019**

Unit and Council Renewal and Officer Updates in
MemberHub

Submit Board of Directors
Speaking/Visit Requests for Fall 2018

Begins August 1, 2018
(Units/Councils that did not renew by May 31, 2018)

September 15

and Founders' Day Schedule

990 filing date with IRS (for most Units/Councils)

November 15

Standards of Affiliation* deadline (Dues, Audit, Budget, copy of 990, Officers, Bylaws)	December 1
Submitting Board of Directors Speaking/Visit Requests for Spring/Summer 2018	January 15
Submitting Resolutions for consideration at Convention	March 1
Fran Anderson Scholarship Deadline	April 1
Michigan PTA Awards Deadline	April 15

<sup>\*</sup>Satisfying Standard of Affiliation allows Units/Councils to participate in all State and National Awards, Grants and Programs.

Please note that when a Unit/Council applies for a National PTA award/grant/program, the Michigan PTA is contacted before the award/grant/program is dispersed and if the Unit/Council has not satisfied the SOA, that entity will be disqualified from the awards, per Michigan PTA's affiliation agreement with National PTA.



# **Mailing Address**

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# Friday, July 13

### 8:30 am - 9:30 am First Timers

Your first time at convention can be overwhelming. There are so many different activities and sessions, how do you know what you should do? Join your PTA Leadership at the First Timers session. This session will talk about the structure of convention, what to expect in general sessions, workshops, and other activities. Most importantly it's your first opportunity to get to know some of the Michigan PTA Leaders.

### 9:00 am - 9:45 am General Session 1

Welcome - Sibyl Collins Wilson, President

**Posting of the Colors** 

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order – Sibyl Collins Wilson, President

**Inspirational Moment –** Grace Preston, Past President **Credential Report** 

**Report of Convention Rules** – Tonya Whitehead, Convention Chair

**Report of Convention Program Committee** – Tonya Whitehead, Convention Chair

**Opening Remarks** – Sibyl Collins Wilson, President **Introduction of the Staff** 

**President's Report** – Sibyl Collins Wilson, President **Treasurer's Report & Presentation of Audit** – Liz Jarvis, Secretary/Treasurer

Announcements - Sibyl Collins Wilson, President

### 10:00 am - 10:45 am PTA Olympics

Does your family have what it takes to be the champions? Bring the entire family to compete in a series of "Minute to Win It" challenges. The families with the quickest times with prizes!

### 11:00 am - 12:00 pm Workshop Session 1

### **101: Effective Communication**

Presenter: Theresa Mitchell, Shaun Maloy Effective Communication is a necessary tool that strengthens relationships between parents and school administrators.

# 102: Human Trafficking: What Parents Need to Know

Presenter: Special Agent Nate Knapper Human trafficking is an increasingly prevalent problem in Michigan. This presentation seeks to help participants recognize and report potential trafficking violations.

# 103: Sending the Right Signals to Fathers for Student Success

Presenter: Anthony King, Richard Powell Educating dads on the importance of their involvement and providing Father Involvement Resources.

### 104 YES: Engaging High School Students in PTSA

Presenter: Farmington HS PTSA

Students and Leaders from a successful PTSA talk about what they do to keep students involved and what you can do as you grow in PTA.

### 12:15 pm - 1:30 pm General Session 2

### Lunch

Call to Order – Sibyl Collins Wilson, President
Inspirational Moment – Shaton Barry, Past President
Credential Report –

Many Hats of PTA -

Presentation from National PTA –
Report of the Resolutions Committee –
Report of the Nominations Committee –
Elections

**Report of the Bylaws Committee** – Liz Jarvis, Secretary/Treasurer

Announcements - Sibyl Collins Wilson, President

### 1:40 pm – 2:40 pm Workshop Session 2

### 201: High School Voter Registration How-To's

Presenter: Betsy Cushman

How the League of Women Voters of Dearborn/Dearborn Heights conducts a successful annual high school voter registration campaign with time for Q&A

# 202: Essential Skills to Add to Children's Social Toolbox

Presenter: Maria Dismoody

Children need to be taught important life skills such as problem solving, communication and decision making as they begin their journey in school. Parents will leave this session energized about making a difference in their child's life, even in this busy day and age!

# 203: OK2SAY - Stop the Silence. Help End the Violence

Presenter: Mary Drew

All students, school staff, parents, and community members have a critical role to play in observing, recognizing and responding to signs of youth high-risk behavior. Timely, effective interventions and ongoing prevention - in addressing bullying, suicide, self-injury, drugs, depression and anxiety - are critical components to student safety, well-being- and success. Learn how your school can utilize OK2SAY, a FREE student safety program.

# 204 YES: Human Trafficking How Young People Can Protect Themselves

Presenter: Special Agent Nate Knapper Human trafficking is an increasingly prevalent problem in Michigan. This presentation seeks to help participants recognize and report potential trafficking violations.

### 2:50 pm - 3:50 pm Workshop Session 3

### **301: Connecting Kids to Their Futures**

Presenter: Jenny Geno

Participants will hear how students can get an edge on their future through Career and Technical Education programs, while simultaneously helping employers build a talent pipeline.

### 302: The Why, What, & When of Advocacy

Presenter: Barb Anness, Grace Preston

Why we advocate, What we advocate for and When we do it. This workshop will explain the reasons why we advocate, why it is important. When do we advocate. What is the proven ways to advocate.

# 303: Parents and Their Role in PA 306 - Third Grade Reading Law

Presenter: Heather Phelps

PA 306, otherwise known as the Third Grade Reading Law, was intentionally built with parent components. Join our session to learn what the role of the parent is, what resources schools can provide, and how to partner with your school to improve your child's reading skills.

# 304 YES: OK2SAY - Stop the Silence. Help End the Violence

Presenter: Mary Drew

All students, school staff, parents, and community members have a critical role to play in observing, recognizing and responding to signs of youth high-risk behavior. Timely, effective interventions and ongoing prevention - in addressing bullying, suicide, self-injury, drugs, depression and anxiety - are critical components to student safety, well-being- and success. Learn how your school can utilize OK2SAY, a FREE student safety program.

### 2:50 pm - 3:50 pm Workshop Session 4

### 401: How Social Media Can Help Your PTA

Presenter: Joyce Heideman

We will speak about the benefits and best practices of using social media for your PTA to connect and get seen in this "online" world.

### **402: Engaging High School Students in PTSA**

Presenter: Farmington HS PTSA

Students and Leaders from a successful High School PTSA talk about what they do to keep students involved and how other units can use their strategies to keep students involve as they get older.

# **403: Developing Collaborative Partnerships Through the IEP Process**

Presenter: Erin Senkowski, David Krantz
This presentation will focus on how parents and school officials can work together through the IEP process to meet the unique learning needs of children with disabilities.

### **404 YES: Connecting You with Your Future**

Presenter: Jenny Geno

Participants will hear how students can get an edge on their future through Career and Technical Education programs, while simultaneously helping employers build a talent pipeline.

### 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm General Session 3

Call to Order – Sibyl Collins Wilson, President
Inspiration Moment – Kathy Carter, President Elect
Recognition of Honorees – Sibyl Collins Wilson,
President

**Recognition of Past Presidents –** Sibyl Collins Wilson, President

**Scholarship Awards** – Barb Blanchard, Past President / Scholarship Committee Chair

**Keynote Speaker** – Grace Preston, Past President: The Inspirational History of PTA

Awards -

Announcements - Sibyl Collins Wilson, President

### 8:30 pm - 11:00 pm Convention Party

Dance Party for the whole family with DJ Heatwave.

Saturday, July 15

### 8:00 am - 9:00 am Workshop Session 5

### 501: Presidents

Presenter: Shaton Berry

You've been elected President, now what? You know the basics of your job, but how can you make the most of your appointment? This session will talk about the ins and outs of being an effective unit leader.

### 502: Secretaries

Presenter: TBD

Do you know what secretaries really do? There is more to it then taking minutes at the meetings. This session will discuss the duties of the secretary and how they relate to the other board members.

### 503: Treasurers

Presenter: Candi Drouillard, Mary Deyoung-Smith What does it mean to be Treasurer? What financial responsibilities do the board members have? How can you ensure that your unit makes the most of their money?

### 504: What, How, & Why of Membership

Presenter: Sue Bellows

How can we recruit members (& retain them!), What are some ways we can retain members, building a membership campaign.

### 505: How to get the most out of MemberHub

Presenter: Marcy Dwyer

Michigan PTA use MemberHub to collect dues and keep track of membership. However, it's also a great tool for helping your local unit connect with members. Learn about the tools to help you schedule events, communicate with members, and much more.

### 9:10 am - 10:10 am Workshop Session 6

### 601: Conflict Resolution

Presenter: Barb Blanchard, Ruthann Jaquette
PTA Leaders need to know how to handle those "hot"
situations. How do you handle unhappy members? What if
the officers don't get along? Learn some techniques and
when you should ask for help.

### 602: Parliamentary Procedures: What All Officers Need to Know

Presenter: Deb Macon, Sue Bellows

Parliamentary procedures are not just the responsibility of the president or secretary. The entire board should know how to use them effectively so that meetings are efficient and everyone's voice is heard. Join this session to learn the ins and outs of Robert's Rules and how they can help your unit!

### 603: How to Run an Effective Reflections Program

Presenter: Joyce Heideman

This presentation will introduce you to the Reflections program and what you need to know about state level requirements to make it successful.

# 604: "Build a Member": Understanding Membership

Presenter: Sibyl Collins Wilson

This workshop uses unique activities and focused discussions to analyze how to attract and retain members.

# 605 YES: Building Confidence, Connection & Leadership in Teens Through Writing

Presenter: Lynne Golodner

Learn how to empower today's teens while building future leaders who care about bridging societal divides and creating lasting understanding. Writing together is key.

### 10:00 am - 1:00 pm Exhibit Hall

Don't miss the chance to meet with our vendors. Get stamps from every vendor on your exhibit hall card to receive a special gift.

# 11:30 am – 12:30 pm YES: Wrap-up Session (Rhine)

YES delegates will meet to wrap up their convention and prepare for their report at the final session.

# 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm Wit & Wisdom: Chatting with Past Presidents

At this panel discussion Past Presidents will share their collective history by discussing issues of their term in office and have open discussion with the attendees.

### 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm General Session 4

Call to Order – Sibyl Collins Wilson, President
Local Unit Officers Installation
Centennial Presentation – Barb Blanchard, Past
President and Centennial Committee Chair
Adjournment – Sibyl Collins Wilson, President

# General Notes

Convention attire on Friday is Business Casual. Saturday is PTA Gear Day.

Please make sure to notify the Registration Staff of any special needs (dietary, medical, religious, etc.) when checking in at arrival.

Changes to the schedule will be published as soon as administratively possible.

# Credentials Report

	1 <sup>st</sup> General	2 <sup>nd</sup> General	3 <sup>rd</sup> General	4 <sup>th</sup> General
	Session	Session	Session	Session
Voting				
Delegates				
Non-Voting				
Delegates				
Guests				
Exhibitors				
Total				
Attendees				

# Michigan PTA Contact Sheet 2017-2018



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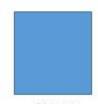
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### **Proposed Bylaws Amendments 2018**

### **Proposed Amendment #1**

### **ARTICLE III – PURPOSES**

### Now reads:

**SECTION 2. Awareness:** The purpose of both the National PTA and the Michigan PTA is promoted through an advocacy and educational program directed toward parents, teachers and the general public; developed through conferences, committees, projects, and programs; and governed and qualified by the policies and principles set forth in Article IV and V.

### Will read:

**SECTION 2.** Awareness: The purposes of both the National PTA and the Michigan PTA are promoted through an advocacy and educational program directed toward parents, teachers and the general public; developed through conferences, committees, projects, and programs; and governed and qualified by the policies and principles set forth in Article IV and V.

<u>Rationale</u>: This change puts our bylaws in line with the terminology used by National PTA. NOTE: All other sections remain the same.

### **Proposed Amendment #2**

### **ARTICLE IV - PRINCIPLES**

### Now reads:

c. The organization shall work to promote the health and welfare of children and youth, and shall seek to promote collaboration among parents, schools, and the community at large.

### Will read:

c. The organization shall work to promote the health and welfare of children and youth, and shall seek to promote collaboration among **families**, schools, and the community at large.

<u>Rationale</u>: This change puts our bylaws in line with the terminology used by National PTA. NOTE: All other sections remain the same.

### **Proposed Amendment #3**

### ARTICLE VI - RELATIONSHIP WITH NATIONAL PTA

### Now reads:

**SECTION 1.** The Michigan PTA is a branch of the National PTA and exists for the purpose of accomplishing, at the state level, the purpose of the National PTA in accordance with its policies. Within the framework of the responsibility that it shares with the National PTA for the implementation of the Objects of the National PTA and its obligations to comply with the Bylaws of the National PTA, the Michigan PTA is a self-governing organization with independent legal existence.

### Will read:

**SECTION 1.** The Michigan PTA is a branch of the National PTA and exists for the purpose of accomplishing, at the state level, the purpose of the National PTA in accordance with its policies. Within the framework of the responsibility that it shares with the National PTA for the implementation of the **Purposes and Principles** of the National PTA and its obligations to comply with the Bylaws of the National PTA, the Michigan PTA is a self-governing organization with independent legal existence.

<u>Rationale</u>: This change puts our bylaws in line with the terminology used by National PTA. NOTE: All other sections remain the same.

### **Proposed Amendment #4**

### **ARTICLE VII - REGIONS**

Now reads:

Will read:

Does not exist

**SECTION 3.** Each Region shall have a Region Director responsible for coordinating Field Service Representatives and member services for the region.

Rationale: This change is for clarity.

### **Proposed Amendment #5**

### ARTICLE VIII – CONSTITUENT ORGANIZATIONS

### Now reads:

### **Councils shall:**

**SECTION 3.d.** Not sell individual memberships but may sell business memberships.

**SECTION 3.e.** Be comprised of Local Units (whose eligibility is determined by the Michigan PTA Board of Directors), and business memberships.

**SECTION 3.f.** Elect board members who shall be a member of a Local Unit within its area.

### **SECTION 4.** Local Units shall:

- a. Be chartered in any geographical area within the State where no local unit for college, high school, junior high/middle school, elementary school, preschool, or special education group exists. The Unit shall be known as \_\_\_\_\_\_ Parent, Teacher (Student) Association, in membership with the Michigan PTA and National PTA, and shall conform to such rules and regulations, not in conflict with the Bylaws of the Michigan PTA and National PTA, they may in their bylaws prescribe.
- b. Have ten (10) or more members to qualify for a charter and twenty-five (25) or more annually to sustain the charter. Any unit found to be in violation of this section shall be able to appeal the withdrawing of their charter through the procedures as outlined in the Standing Rules. c. The Standards of Affiliation with Michigan PTA shall be as
- c. The Standards of Affiliation with Michigan PTA shall be a follows:
- i. Remit annual dues.
- ii. Register officer names and contact information with the state office.
- iii. Remit membership dues to the state office by the  $28^{\text{th}}$  of each month, as provided in Article X

### Will read:

### Councils shall:

**SECTION 3.d.** Not sell individual memberships. **Councils may sell business memberships.** 

**SECTION 3.e.** Be comprised of Local Units (whose eligibility is determined by the Michigan PTA Board of Directors), and business who have purchased **membership in that council**.

**SECTION 3.f.** Elect board members who shall be members of the Local Constituent Units.

### **SECTION 4.** Local Units shall:

- a. Be chartered in any geographical area within the State where no local unit for college, high school, junior high/middle school, elementary school, preschool, special education group, or similar community-based unit already exists. The Unit shall be known as \_\_\_\_\_\_ Parent, Teacher (Student) Association, in membership with the Michigan PTA and National PTA, and shall conform to such rules and regulations, not in conflict with the Bylaws of the Michigan PTA and National PTA, they may in their bylaws prescribe.
- b. Have ten (10) or more members to qualify for a charter and **submit members** annually to sustain the charter. Any unit found to be in violation of this section shall be able to appeal the withdrawing of their charter through the procedures as outlined in the Standing Rules.
- c. The Standards of Affiliation with Michigan PTA shall be as follows:
- i. Remit annual dues.
- ii. Register officer names and contact information with the state office.
- iii. Remit membership dues to the state office by the  $28^{\text{th}}$  of each month, as provided in Article X

- iv. Submit a copy of their annual budget, audit and Form 990 to the state office.
- v. Review and/or revise bylaws every three (3) years and submit them to the state office for approval. A copy of the minutes from the meeting in which the bylaws were approved must be included with the submission
- iv. Submit a copy of their annual budget, audit and Form 990 to the state office.
- v. Review and/or revise bylaws every three (3) years and submit them to the state office for approval. A copy of the minutes from the meeting in which the bylaws were approved must be included with the submission
- vi. Obtain liability insurance for the Constituent Organization to protect the assets of the unit/council.

<u>Rationale</u>: This addresses all family structures; it reflects of units to maintain active membership; it accommodates units which are not school-based; protects the constituent association and officers.

### **Proposed Amendment #6**

### ARTICLE VIII – CONSTITUENT ORGANIZATIONS

### Now reads:

**SECTION 6.** Should a constituent organization fail to elect officers, hold at least one (1) meeting prior to December 1st, and pay the applicable constituent organization dues by December 1st, the constituent organization shall:

**SECTION 9. d.** Approval of disbandment shall require the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the voting body, a quorum being present. The Local Unit secretary shall notify the Region Director, Vice President for Outreach and Support and Michigan PTA State Office of the decision. **SECTION 10.e.** Dues shall be determined annually by the Board of Directors, and shall include membership in both the Michigan PTA and National PTA and a subscription to the Michigan PTA Bulletin, with the remaining money being placed in the State PTA general fund.

### Will read:

**SECTION 6.** Should a constituent organization fail to satisfy the requirements in Section 4.b. by December 1<sup>st</sup>, the constituent organization shall:

**SECTION 9. d.** Approval of disbandment shall require the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the voting body, a quorum being present. The Local Unit secretary shall notify the Region Director, Vice President for Outreach and Support and Michigan PTA State Office of the decision. **SECTION 9. d.** Approval of disbandment shall require the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the voting body, a quorum being present. A member of the state **Board** of **Directors (or designee)** may be present at the vote. The Region Director, Vice President for Outreach and Support and Michigan PTA State Office shall be notified of the decision.

SECTION 10.e. Dues shall be determined annually by the Board of Directors, and shall include membership in both the Michigan PTA and National PTA and a subscription to the Michigan PTA Bulletin, with the remaining money being the Michigan PTA Bulletin, with the remaining money being be determined annually by the Board of Directors, and shall include membership in both the Michigan PTA and the benefits granted through such membership, with the remaining money being placed in the State PTA general fund.

<u>Rationale</u>: Some changes for clarity; The Michigan PTA Bulletin is no longer published; to protect the rights of members and maintain objectivity and gravity.

### Proposed Amendment #7

### ARTICLE XIV - GOVERNING BODIES: A. ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION

### Now reads:

**SECTION 3.** The voting body shall consist of:

- a. Members of the Michigan PTA Board of Directors.
- b. All living past Michigan PTA Presidents
- The President and a Vice President of councils or their alternates.
- d. The President or alternate, and one (1) delegate for each fifty (50) members or major fraction

### Will read:

**SECTION 3**. The voting body shall consist of:

- a. Members of the Michigan PTA Board of Directors.
- b. All past Michigan PTA Presidents
- The President and a Vice President of councils or their alternates.
- d. All chairs of active state committee
- e. The President or alternate, and one (1) delegate for each fifty

- thereof, from each Local Unit, provided the Michigan and National portion of membership dues has been received by the Michigan PTA Treasurer by February 28th preceding the convention.
- e. A new or reactivated unit chartered by the Michigan PTA between February 28th and fifteen (15) days prior to the annual convention shall be entitled to the President or alternate, one (1) delegate for each fifty (50) members or major fraction thereof.

**SECTION 5.** The convention of the Michigan PTA shall be open to all members of the Michigan PTA who pay the registration fee. The privilege of making motions, debating and voting shall be limited to the members of the voting body.

- (50) members or major fraction thereof, from each Local Unit, provided the Michigan and National portion of membership dues has been received by the Michigan PTA Treasurer by April 28<sup>th</sup> preceding the convention.
- f. A new or reactivated unit chartered by the Michigan PTA between April 28<sup>th</sup> and fifteen (15) days prior to the annual convention shall be entitled to the President or alternate, one (1) delegate for each fifty (50) members or major fraction thereof.
- g. There shall be a limit of one credential issued to any individual, which shall be issued at the highest office held by that individual.

**SECTION 5.** The convention of the Michigan PTA shall be open **to any** attendees who pay the registration fee and such guests as provided for by the structure of members of the Michigan PTA. The privilege of making motions, debating and voting shall be limited to the members of the voting body.

<u>Rationale</u>: Allows Committee Chairs to obtain voting credentials. Changes in submission dates reflect changes in date of convention. Clarifies how individuals who qualify for multiple credentials obtain them. Additional changes serve to welcome guests to our convention.

### **Proposed Amendment #8**

### ARTICLE XVI - NOMINATING AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

### Now reads:

SECTION 9. In 2014 all seven (7) positions will be appointed by the Board of Directors. The details of this process will be outlined in the Standing Rules and Procedures. Of these appointed positions, two (2) positions will be for a one (1) year term (Class A), three (3) positions for a two (2) year term (Class B), and two (2) positions for a three (3) year term (Class C). As these positions become vacant they will be filled as described above. This section expires and will be removed following the 2017 annual convention.

Rationale: Intended to be removed after last convention.

Will read:

(remove)

If you have questions regarding these changes please visit one of the

Bylaws and Parliamentary Q & A Sessions

Having questions answered in these sessions does not prevent you from asking questions or proposing amendments in the general session.

# Michigan PTA Committees 2017-18

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### **Field Service**

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### **Local Bylaws**

Candi Drouillard Lisa Roscoe Debbie Pline

### **Youth Committee**

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Blaine Tillander
Sue Bellows

# Michigan PTA Committee Reports

# Federal Legislative Advocacy Report Barb Anness, Federal Legislative Chair

As I sit to write this report yet another school shooting has occurred in our country. This time in Indiana. Beginning with and focusing on the issue of gun violence and school safety in this report wasn't the plan but, here we are. I'd much rather discuss the funding that was finally appropriated by Congress for the Statewide Family Engagement Centers grant program or the launch of National PTA's Center for Family Engagement, a new initiative to embed transformative family engagement practices, programs and policies across the educational system. However, I would be remiss in my duties as the Federal Legislative Chair to overlook the topic of gun violence and school safety, share how National PTA is responding to these topics and what's being done at the Federal level. A topic that has impacted our children to the point where even they are saying, "Enough is enough."

Nationally, PTA has issued approximately 11+ statements on specific school shootings, gun safety and mental health during the 2017/18 school year alone. After the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School shooting President Trump requested the creation of a Federal School Safety Commission. Led by Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos the commission is charged to study, evaluate and make recommendations on school safety. There are 27 specific areas related to school safety efforts. The 27 areas of focus have been divided amongst four commissioners. The nine areas of focus for the U.S. Department of Education are:

- Current entertainment rating system and youth consumption of violent entertainment
- Character development in youth and culture of connectiveness
- Bullying and social media
- Press coverage of mass shooting
- School discipline policies
- Training of school personnel
- Review of existing and additional federal, state and local funding sources
- Review the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and other statutory and regulatory privacy protections
- Transition of military veterans and retired law enforcement into new careers in education

The commission will be engaging in four types of activities to hear from experts, practitioners and stakeholders on school safety. Outlined below are the four types of activities:

- Commission meetings where commissioners will be able to hear from experts in the field of school safety.
- Field visits where commissioners and agency staff
  will visit locations that exemplify best practices on
  school safety to observe best practices and talk with
  experts and practitioners. It is expected that each
  Commissioner will select one site visit relevant to
  their focus area(s).
- Listening sessions where agency staff can hear directly from the public on school safety. These will be held in geographically diverse locations. The locations of the listening sessions and field visits have not yet been identified.
- The goal of the commission is to produce a final report that is the go-to resource on school safety for schools, school districts and state education agencies. A deadline has not been set for the report to be released.
- The Department of Education is in the process of developing a commission website with information on meeting schedules and the activities of the commission. The website will eventually host a variety of resources for schools related to school safety.
- Members of the public, individuals and groups with recommendations on how to increase school safety can send comments, as well as resources and best practices on school safety to the safety@ed.gov email address.

At the March 2018 National PTA Legislative Conference in Washington Betsy DeVos gave the opening remarks and the National PTA President, Jim Accomando, specifically requested that the Secretary consider inviting PTA to participate in the Commission's discussions on the issues of school safety and gun violence. As of this writing, no Commission meetings or hearings have been held and PTA has not been formally asked to participate.

I'm reminded of our own Michigan PTA mission statement, "to mobilize the forces of school, home, and community in order to ensure a quality education and nurturing environment for every child." Are we living up to this for every child in our state and throughout our country through our inaction around the issue of gun violence and school

safety? How many more children are going to go to school in the morning and not return home when the final school bell rings or become a statistic of an accidental shooting? It is incumbent on PTA to uphold its mission and continue to advocate for every child with one voice. Repeatedly, until things change because as National PTA President Jim Accomando recently said "We are way beyond 'enough is enough.' More must be done immediately to keep our children safe."

I will continue to work and collaborate with Samantha Phillips, the Michigan PTA Advocacy Chair, to inform Michigan PTA members about the latest happenings regarding Federal education legislation and policies that impact the health and well being of our children. If you're on FaceBook, ask to join the Michigan PTA Advocacy page AND become familiar with key Legislation under the Advocacy tab on the National PTA's web site at PTA.org.

### Centennial Celebration Committee

### Barb Blanchard, Past President & Chair

Michigan PTA is having a great year celebrating 100 years of Advocating for the children and families in Michigan. The Michigan Legislature passed a Resolution in honor of the day we became PTA by declaring May 19<sup>th</sup> as "Michigan PTA Day."

We provided many ideas and incentives for our PTA Councils and Local Units to join in the celebration.

Our website had 100 weekly Michigan PTA "did you know" trivia facts. How many facts were you aware of?

The Centennial banner was used at PTA events and in parades. It is still available, just contact us with your desired date.

The Centennial Toolkit, given out at last year's Convention and on our website, offered several unique ways to include your school and your community.

Centennial Business memberships were offered that included a special window cling and certificate.

PTAs achieving 100 members by Oct.18, 2017 received a Centennial window cling to display at their school. PTAs increasing their membership by 100 members over last year's by Feb.28, 2018 are receiving \$100 at this convention!

Our Celebration Luncheon at Lovett Hall, The Henry Ford, on April 21<sup>st</sup>, had almost 200 people attend. At the reception there was a MPTA historical display, Reflections display,

entertainment by a student jazz band, silent auction and lots of unique pictures taken by Life Touch.

The program with Mistress of Ceremonies, Dr. Wanda Cook-Robinson, began with Scout Troop 271, from Livonia, posting the colors and Carl Cohen, Past MPTA President, giving the invocation. Keynote speakers were National PTA President, James Accomando and Detroit Public Schools Superintendent, Dr. Nikolai Vitti. Honored Child Advocates were: Dr. Herman Gray, Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha, Kathleen Straus and the late Brian Whiston. We were honored to have Senator Debbie Stabenow present MPTA with a special tribute from the U.S. Senate that was placed in the Congressional Record for our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. We also received a special tribute from the Michigan Legislature, presented by Representative Christine Greig and a Citation from the City of Dearborn and Mayor John B. O'Reilly, Jr.

Several Past Michigan PTA Presidents were in attendance including: Carl Cohen, Grace Preston, Sue Bellows, Barbara Blanchard, Mary DeYoung-Smith, Shaton Berry and Teresa Marhofer

We begin the next 100 years by continuing to Advocate for Children.

### Membership

### Sibyl Collins Wilson, Interim

Our elected VP for Membership resigned in October and was not replaced.

Michigan PTA rolled out MemberHub at the July Convention with Will Bowen presenting to the Membership. At the time the Board of Directors elected to use MemberHub as the new processing program, the decision was based on getting membership cards into the hands of members (a major complaint, especially in units where benefits were important) and a more effective method of communication. The first objective was achieved more easily than the second.

We did not anticipate the trouble units would have modifying their procedures at such late notice, nor the impact on Membership at all levels due to not having family membership options available. All of these factors resulted in a major loss of membership this past year.

Fortunately, through the creation of MemberHub super user groups and our interim Director's computer expertise, the MemberHub product has been improved and we are looking for more efficiency in the second year of use.

Because of the Centennial and lack of a Membership

Committee, there were no monthly membership challenges published. Membership challenges for 2018-19 have been submitted to the Board of Directors for approval.

In addition, the Membership toolkit and Membership Chair training will return for 2018-19 with revisions and updated information added.

The Awards Committee coordinated review of awards with Minnesota PTA due to conflicts of interest within the committee and lack of a committee chair. All of the current awards and certificates were reviewed and updated and a new, online submission option was created. The Awards deadline was adjusted to fit our new Convention schedule.

We are looking for enthusiastic local members to join both the Membership Committee and Awards Committee for 2018-19.

# Michigan PTA Children's Advocacy Update

### Samantha Phillips, VP for Children's Advocacy

Advocacy, noun ad·vo·ca·cy \ 'ad-və-kə-sē\: the act or process of supporting a cause or proposal.

PTA was built on the foundation of Advocacy. I am sure many of you have heard me reference the "A" in PTA as "Advocates". "Parent, Teacher, Advocates", as I believe it better represents what each and every member of PTA does. Advocacy is at the very core of PTA's existence and without advocates, PTAs are unlikely to fulfill the PTA mission or honor its values.

Legislative priorities at both the state and federal level continue to be neither friendly, nor supportive toward public education. Programs and resources that are critical to the success of American public school students continue to be targeted for reduction or elimination. Though Michigan PTA Advocacy priorities are focused on the state and local level, we continue to monitor and engage with legislators at the federal level. Working in partnership with Barb Anness, Michigan PTA Federal Legislative Chair, we will continue to monitor, analyze, evaluate and take a position on federal and state issues that require a PTA voice.

Following the lead of National PTA's priorities, and public policy agenda, Michigan PTA's priorities continue to include:

- Protecting public education funding
- · Early learning and childhood education
- · Common core and state curriculum standards
- · Qualified, certified teaching professionals in every classroom

- Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
- Gun safety & violence prevention
- · Education technology and student data privacy
- · Healthy Nutrition / hunger-free meal programs

The past year has been very busy, advocating and engaging with fellow advocacy, public education, and child welfare organizations. Michigan PTA Advocacy representatives are participating as active members on a number of state committees working on issues including Early Literacy, School Safety, Student Welfare, Diversity & Inclusion, among others. PTA units and parent representatives are working closely with the Michigan Department of Education to ensure parent input is incorporated in the MDE Parent Dashboard. We look forward to more PTA parents and advocates participating in more committee work, focus groups and student centered initiatives that impact ALL children in Michigan.

Michigan PTA Advocacy hosted our first ever "Virtual Advocacy" day - which was a great success. We will continue to implement "Calls to Advocacy" via "Virtual Advocacy Events" simultaneously across the state, while utilizing our StateTrack Call to Action online tools. Together, we've already made hundreds of calls to Legislators urging legislative action in support of stronger Gun Violence Prevention laws, Public Education Funding, CHIP, Librarians in Schools, Early Education, and the funding of Family Engagement Centers – to name a few.

The in-person Lansing Advocacy Day held in March 2018 was also a great success. We heard from experts on the issues of Equitable School Funding, Gun Violence Prevention laws, and the State Board of Education priorities. Our members shared ideas, concerns, and best practices. We met with our legislators advocating for safer schools, and the adequate and equitable funding of our public schools.

We encourage all members to make a conscious commitment to use their voice (literally, or in writing) to advocate for a public school/education issue that they feel strongly about. Start with one email, phone call or letter. Let your legislators know where you stand on an issue. Be a part of the solution. Join us at our Virtual Advocacy Days, and at the annual In-person Lansing Advocacy Day event. Join the Michigan PTA Advocacy facebook group to connect with fellow advocate and share information and updates on current advocacy issues.

For more information on how to get involved in PTA Advocacy, or how to learn more about Advocacy, please contact me at phillipss@michiganpta.org.

# Career & College Readiness Initiative

The CCRI Team is wrapping up their efforts with Nationals CCRI grant with several programs in June including presentations for Purposeful Youth Detroit on June 2nd and Detroit Area Dad's event on June 9th. In addition, the team Lead, Joyce Heideman will be presenting on how communications can be used in an Issue campaign, at the National Convention in New Orleans, in June.

June 15th marks the official end of Michigan PTA's grant for CCRI and in fact is the end of the CCRI grant program, altogether. Michigan PTA has been fortunate to take part in this grant for 4 different waves. Through this grant

opportunity, Michigan PTA has been able to educate parents and members on the importance of College and Career Readiness, The Common Core State Standards, Assessments and the Every Student Succeeds Act. Through this grant we have educated units on how to create a grassroots advocacy campaign, build coalitions, meet with decision makers, recruit and retain volunteers and use social media to get your message out. We are very sorry to see this unique grant opportunity come to an end but know that the knowledge and skills we have gained will continue to benefit Michigan PTA members for years to come.

# **Access your PTA Benefits**

# www.michiganpta.org

Use this site for reference as our site will be changing over the summer.

### pta.org

Create a profile to begin eLearning courses and access member features.

Access the Local PTA Leader site for details on officer positions and other resources

Chrome browser works best with this site.

All National programs, events, grants are available on this site

# www.memberhub.com

Unit Presidents should create a login to access the site. Training may be found on the www.michiganpta.org site under MemberHub

# Keys to Leadership

Michigan PTA Keys to Leadership

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President / Vice President - Complete the 4 mandatory courses + 2 elective courses (Approx. time: 170 - 180 min)	Treasurer - Complete the 5 mandatory courses + 1 elective course (Approx. time: 150 - 160 min)	Secretary - Complete the 4 mandatory courses + 1 elective course (Approx. time: 135 - 145 min)	Membership - Complete the 3 mandatory courses + 1 elective course (Approx. time: 110 - 120 min)	Advocacy - Complete the 3 mandatory courses + 1 elective course (Approx. time: 110 - 120 min)	Bylaws / Parliamentary Procedure - Complete the 2 mandatory courses + 1 elective course (Approx. time: 80 - 90 min)	Reflections - Complete the 2 required courses + 1 elective course (Approx. time: 80 - 90 min)	Anyone - Complete the mandatory course + 2 elective courses (Approx. time: 70 - 90 min)
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Board Basics (40 min)	Board Basics (40 min)	Board Basics (40 min)	Membership Basics (40 min)	Effective Advocacy for Your Child (30 min)	Parliamentary Procedure (30 min)	Reflections Leader Training (30 min)	Cultural Competency (20 min)
Local Unit President (30 min)	Local Unit Treasurer (40 min)	Local Unit Secretary (30 min)	Cultural Competency (20 min)	Cultural Competency (20 min)	Ethical Leadership (20 min)	Cultural Competency (20 min)	Ethical Leadership (20 min)
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Running a Successful Program (30 min)							
National Standards for Family School Partnerships (30 min)							

Michigan PTA members completing the designated courses for the Michigan PTA Keys to Leadership will receive a Leadership Certification for that category. You will receive an electronic certificate upon completion. Courses must be completed between July 1 -Jun 30. Certification will be for the year of completion.

Michigan PTA members completing the designated courses for the Michigan PTA Keys to Leadership and attending Michigan PTA Annual Convention will receive an Executive Leadership Certification for that category. You will receive a certificate at Convention. You will also be entered in a drawing (Prize TBD). Courses must be completed between July 1 - June 30. Certification will be for the year of completion.

Certification can be renewed annually by re-assessment.

Completion of a course may be applied to completion of multiple keys.

# Michigan PTA Past Presidents

1918-1921	Mrs. Charles Stewart*
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1999-2001	Mr. Ron Coleman
2001-2003	Mrs. Sue Bellows
2003-2005	Mrs. Pattie (Bayless) Callender
2005-2007	
2007-2009	Mrs. Debbie (Squires) Stair
2009-2011	Mrs. Mary DeYoung-Smith
2011-2013	Ms. Shaton Berry
2013-2015	Ms. Teresa Marhofer
2015-2017	Ms. Ruthann Jaquette

<sup>\*</sup>Deceased <sup>o</sup>Service as National PTA President

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# Michigan PTA Centennial Committee



**Michigan PTA Reflections Winners 2017-2018** 



### **Dance Choreography**

### **High school**

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Mikaila Murphy All They Know is Hate Churchill High PTSA

Award of Excellence

Yuzuha Iwata Face the Wall Harrison High School

Award of Merit

Holly Azeez Don't Give Up Hope Stevenson High School

**Honorable Mention** 

Kaylee Adair Life Within Reach Clarkston HS

### Middle school

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Alexis Spiteri Never Let Go Rochester council

Award of Excellence

Libby Morante Closest I get Hillside Middle school

Award of Merit

Katie Rose Dreams Within Reach Warner Middle School

**Honorable Mention** 

Leah Stump Waves Sashabaw MS

### Intermediate

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Nina Kobayashi The doll at night Farmington STEAM Academy

Award of Excellence

Madeline Bruss Finding my Own Way Dublin Elementary

Award of Merit

Norah Meekins You Can Do Anything Webster Elementary

**Honorable Mention** 

Logan Makowski Healthy body within reach Ridgewood elementary

### **Primary Dance**

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Dhruthi Tadimalla The Girl Who Perservered Rochester Council

Award of Excellence

Rosabelle Smith Dancing the Dream Awake Rochester Council

Award of Merit

Ana Corey Winter Wind Hickory Woods Elementary

**Honorable Mention** 

Wilford Stevens Ninja's Rule Thornton Creek Elementary



### Film Production

### **High school**

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Ashley Jacobson In Awe Rochester Council

Award of Excellence

Evelyn Mulroy Atrocious Action At Archy's Rochester Council

Award of Merit

Collin Bowersox The Journey Stevenson High School

**Honorable Mention** 

Sydney Anderson Self Image Walled Lake Western PTSA

Middle school

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Luke Jeung Expect Sashabaw Middle School

Award of Excellence

Tanish Kalwad Dreams Within Reach Rochester Council

Award of Merit

Sydney Hazard Leaves of Reach Rochester Council

**Honorable Mention** 

Lilly Schaal Within Reach Birmingham Council

Intermediate

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Dayton Kress Breakfast for Three Longacre Elementary

Award of Excellence

Cooper Marvin Learning To Skateboard Kenbrook Elementary

Award of Merit

Aman Qureshi The Water Saviors Commerce Elementary

**Honorable Mention** 

Krish Venkatesh It's All in Reach Webster Elementary

**Primary** 

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Adriana Lamey I Love Horses Forest Elementary

Award of Excellence

Austyn Molby Cool things Rochester Council

Award of Merit

Dhaniyasree Thiyaqarajan Donation is Within My Reach Rochester Council

**Honorable Mention** 

Trinity Brooks Dreams Are Within Reach Birmingham Council



### **High school**

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Kristen D'Souza Release Rochester Council

Award of Excellence

Quinna Halim Within Reach Northville High School

Award of Merit

Shannon Harper Not Applicable Southfield A&T

**Honorable Mention** 

Elise Nehasil When We Painted Straight Lines Stevenson High School

Middle school

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Nikhil Sheth Within Reach Warner Middle School

Award of Excellence

Allison Thompson Rising Up Power Middle School

Award of Merit

Crystal Orser Treasure Within Reach Rochester Council

**Honorable Mention** 

Audrey Zhang Reaching for a Star Mead Mills Middle School

Intermediate

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Brian Zhang Within My Reach Amerman Elementary

Award of Excellence

Grace Robinson Competing at Fair Moraine Elementary

Award of Merit

Waverly Schrauwen Oscar the Mighty Meerkat Birminham Council

Honorable Mention

Sireen Bazzi Humans for Humanity Lindbergh Elementary

**Primary** 

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Vignesh Senthil Life in the Savannah Webster Elementary

Award of Excellence

Vihana Jadhav What is Inside Us Webster Elementary

Award of Merit

Katerina Baros Within Reach Rochester Council

**Honorable Mention** 

Garrett Shea How to Make the World a Better Place Longacre Elementary

### **Special artist**

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Tyler Austin Hard Work = Fast Times in the Pool Birmingham council

Award of Excellence

Brendon Ball Daddy Wood Creek Elementary



### **Music composition**

### **High school**

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Megan Cromwell Don't Give Up Farmington High School

Award of Excellence

Emily Kim Assymetry Northville High School

Award of Merit

Emily Gajewski Jazzy Pickle Birmingham Council

**Honorable Mention** 

Abigail Schreck Quest Rochester Council

### Middle school Music

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Brendan Callies Within Reach Power Middle School

Award of Excellence

Leah Raymond As Easy as the River Rochester Council

Award of Merit

Jonah Cohen Voyage into the Deep Warner Middle School

**Honorable Mention** 

Mena Nasiri Mellifluoius Rochester Council

### Intermediate

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Cayden Brown Gotta Believe Hickory Woods Elementary

Award of Excellence

Kyra Shogren The Dreamer Rochester Council

Award of Merit

Charlisa Penzak Reach In, Reach Out Birmingham Council

**Honorable Mention** 

Areeya Penzak China Memories Birmingham Council

### **Primary**

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Adelaide Weiner The North Hill Owls Rochester Council

Award of Excellence

Sophia Pirog Rolly Rollerskating Farmington Steam Academy

Award of Merit

Rosabelle Smith The Nutcracker Rochester Council

**Honorable Mention** 

Ryann McEvilly Yes You Can Gill Elementar



### **Photography**

### **High school**

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Leah Riben Indestructible Walled lake Northern HS

Award of Excellence

Hannah Zylman Cry For Help North Farmington HS

Award of Merit

Nina Moyski Where There's a Will There's a Way Northville High School

Honorable Mention

Zach Adams Orbweavers at Sunset Rochester Council

### Middle school

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Phillip Zhavoronkov Magic Is Within You Mead Mills Middle School

Award of Excellence

Krishnan Madhavan Knowledge Is Within Reach Birmingham Council

Award of Merit

Miryam El-Saghir Success At Your Fingertips Dearborn STEM MS

**Honorable Mention** 

Kelly Burdick The Sun That Could Do Anything Rochester Council

Intermediate

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Ella Lindenberg A Friend Is Always Within Reach Kenbrook Elementary

Award of Excellence

Leo Boone Conquering the Wall MH Guest Elementary

Award of Merit

Nina Kobayashi A Stop Sign Farmington Steam Academy

**Honorable Mention** 

Kendall Keller Brighten the Light Rochester Council

**Primary** 

Outstanding Interpretation Award

Marie Loscher Butterfly Gardens Rochester Council

Award of Excellence

Corinne Christensen Can I Please Have My Food Hoover Elementary

Award of Merit

Gwen Slapak Crescent Moon Birmingham Council

**Honorable Mention** 

Aaron Hua Another Me Thornton Creek Elementary

**Special artist** 

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Carter Tonnies Focus Wood Creek Elementary PTA

Award of Excellence

Malcolm Wang Black Capped Chikadee Northville High School PTA

Award of Merit

Nathaniel D'Angelo My Name Is Nate Wood Creek Elementary PTA



### **High school**

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Olivia Colasanti Evanescent Memories Walled Lake Northern HS

Award of Excellence

Elayna Cunningham Ouija Churchill High School

Award of Merit

Sarah Leszkowitz Dream It Rochester Council

**Honorable Mention** 

Ellie Arnold Our Future Clarkston High School

Middle school

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Anna Hite Everyone Gets a Chance Creek Middle School

Award of Excellence

Muskaan Suvas Help Is Within Reach Rochester Council

Award of Merit

Diya Ganguli Reaching For Peace On Earth Hillside Middle School

**Honorable Mention** 

Breena Keller Together Anything Is Possible Rochester Council

Intermediate

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Layla Kohr Keys to Success Commerce Elementary

Award of Excellence

Charlisa Penzak Reaching In, Reaching Out Birmingham Council

Award of Merit

Amrita Renduchintala Success Is Always Within Reach Longacre Elementary

**Honorable Mention** 

Braeden Shea Hands In Longacre Elementary

**Primary** 

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Alina Ju Memories Rochester Council

Award of Excellence

Julia Wei The Cat and the Fish Thornton Creek Elementary

Award of Merit

Justin Parrish Mr. Jump Gill Elementary

**Honorable Mention** 

Caleb Bectram Reaching Under Lanigan Elementary

### **Special Artist**

**Outstanding Interpretation Award** 

Tyler Austin Swim to Your Goals Birmingham Council

Award of Excellence

Malcolm Wang Mackinaw Bridge Northville High School

Award of Merit

Jacolyn McCowan The Beautiful Angel Clarkston High School

**Honorable Mention** 

Braylon Timms Reaching the Destination Meadowbrook Elementary



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