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111th WSPTA Convention and Annual Meeting

May 17–19, 2024

Lynnwood Event Center

Welcome

A heartfelt welcome to our PTA leaders and members from across the state! Convention is the highlight of the year for our association, and we are pleased that you have chosen to join us in Lynnwood to help us celebrate over 119 years of positively impacting the lives of all children and families here in Washington.

We've been hard at work preparing an exciting and informative event for everyone. We hope you enjoy hearing from Blaire Penry, Washington State Teacher of the Year, and enjoy the amazing array of opportunities to gain experience, connect and celebrate what PTA does every day. Our goal is to provide you with a fulfilling, engaging and fun leadership experience. We hope you will take advantage of all that is offered this weekend.

We will conduct important business of the Washington State PTA during our General Session Meetings, as we elect two at-large nominating committee members, consider one new and two proposed amendments to our resolutions which form the basis for our advocacy work, and consider several proposed bylaw amendments. Come prepared to discuss and vote! We hope you can join us for our Welcome Reception on Friday evening immediately following PTA and the Law and on Saturday evening, join us for music, games and snacks at our Eras Social Event — bring your best era outfit and prepare to have fun!

A special thank you to our sponsors, AIM Insurance, WA 529, National PTA Connected, and Walmart, as well as our exhibitors, for their partnership and support in building a meaningful experience for our members at this convention.

As PTA leaders, we are the bridge between schools, community groups, and families. We serve our children best when we all work together for a common goal. For this reason, Building Community is the leadership theme for our WSPTA Board of Directors term and our inspiration for this weekend.

We look forward to an amazing weekend — thank you for all you do!



Angela Steck
WSPTA President



Tori Emerson
WSPTA Leadership
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Greetings PTA Members:

Welcome to your annual state convention! It is so exciting to see so many passionate PTA members participate in this year's convention. Your attendance demonstrates your commitment to our PTA mission: to make every child's potential a reality by empowering and engaging families and communities to advocate for all children.

This is our legacy!

I am humbled and grateful to serve as the 58th national president of this amazing association. Each of you represents a dedicated and inspired group of advocates with powerful voices, and I am honored to take this journey with you.

As we think about what moves our association forward, it is our mission and also our values: Commitment, Accountability, Diversity, Respect and Collaboration. These core values are embedded in all that we do as an association. Michelle Obama said, "There's power in allowing yourself to be known and heard, in owning your unique story, in using your authentic voice. And there's grace in being willing to know and hear others." This represents the power of our collective voices but also recognizes that we need to listen to learn rather than listen to respond. I have a motto, "Never underestimate the power of a parent's voice." This has never been more important than it is today! As the nation's largest and oldest child advocacy association, we must continue to speak up and out on all issues that matter. Nothing is more valuable than our voice!

In the coming months, we will all have new opportunities, challenges and experiences. Think of PTA this way: P for programs, T for training and A for advocacy. We are all part of this great association regardless of if you are present today as a local, council, district or state leader. You bring so much to the table. What we want for all of you is to leave this convention with a renewed and energized mindset. Recommit, reconnect, and reenergize yourself to the essential work we do as PTA. Come to the table open-minded and ready to work together as a team to ensure that our children are successful in school and that families are engaged and empowered like never before.

National PTA is here to support you every step of the way. I encourage you to visit PTA.org and explore our plethora of resources, learn about our programs and grants that benefit our schools and families, become inspired with our newly revised National Standards for Family-School Partnerships, and take a training on our learning management system, THRIVE. We want every family in our schools to join PTA. Did you know the number one reason people do not join PTA is that they were not asked? I challenge each of you to ask your families, community members and elected officials to join so they can be part of this incredible work that we do. Why? Because together we can do so much more. Who is with me? I can't do it alone—and I can't wait to see how successful our journey in PTA will be!

Enjoy and learn at your convention. Thank you for being here, for your willingness to grow as a leader and for all that you do for PTA and our nation's schools, children and families!

Best wishes,

Yvonne Johnson
President, National PTA

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Our Founder



Washington State PTA was founded in April 1905 by Abby Williams Hill of Tacoma, an artist who saw the need for an organization to support Washington’s children. Thanks to Abby’s leadership and vision –

and that of thousands of parents and teachers who have carried her vision forward – Washington State PTA has been a leading voice for children in the state ever since.

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Washington State PTA Vision and Mission

Vision

Our vision is that every child’s potential becomes a reality.

Mission

Our mission is for PTA to be:

- A powerful voice for children
- A relevant resource for families, schools and communities, and
- A strong advocate for the well-being and education of all children

Information

Stay Connected!

If you have questions, there are multiple resources available to you: registration booth, information desk, region directors, convention volunteers, and WSPTA staff.

Email: Support@wastatepta.org

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Schedule of Events

DAY 1 FRIDAY MAY 17, 2024

9:00–10:00am	Registration & Check-In Opens
10:00–11:30am	Learning Session 1
11:30am–1:00pm	Lunch
1:00–2:30 pm	Learning Session 2
3:00–6:00pm	PTA and the Law
6:00–7:30pm	Welcome Reception
7:30pm	Registration & Check-In Closes

NIGHT

Welcome Reception

Kick off the weekend with a chance to network and socialize with fellow attendees Friday night from 6:00 – 7:30pm in Lobby 2DE which is the main lobby outside of the General Session Room. Light appetizers and a no-host bar are provided. All 3-day Registrants, Friday Registrants, Vendors and Sponsors are invited to attend. Blitz, our much-loved Seattle Seahawks mascot, will also be dropping in for picture opportunities and to join the fun!



DAY 2 SATURDAY MAY 18, 2024

7:00–8:30am	Registration & Check-In Opens
8:00am–7:00pm	Scholarship Basket Raffle Open
8:00–9:15 am	Learning Session 3
9:30am–11:30pm	General Session 1
10:00am–6:30pm	Exhibit Showcases
11:30am–1:00pm	Lunch, Exhibitors & Amendment Writing Lab
1:00–2:15pm	Learning Session 4
2:30–3:15pm	Sponsor Sessions & Visit Exhibits
3:30–6:30pm	General Session 2 Part 1 - PTA Connected Part 2 - General Session Business
8:30-10:30pm	WSPTA Eras Event

NIGHT

WSPTA Eras Event

On Saturday night from 8:30 – 10:30pm, we will be looking to the past after spending the day planning for the future! Feel free to come dressed in your favorite era (Taylor S., Barbie®, PTA, historical, etc.) – but costumes are not required. Which “Era” will you be rocking as you tour our social event?

Activities include music, socializing, snacks, a no-host bar, and private game room for those that enjoy a quieter atmosphere. You can aim to win prizes for “best costume” and various other activity awards during the event!

DAY 3 SUNDAY MAY 19, 2024

8:00am	Registration & Check-In Opens
8:00–10:00am	Scholarship Basket Raffle Open
8:30–10:00am	Learning Session 5
10:15am–12:15pm	General Session 3
12:30–1:30pm	Lunch
1:30–3:00pm	Learning Session 6
3:15–5:15pm	General Session 4



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General Sessions

General Session #1 • Saturday May 18, 2024 • 9:30am – 11:30pm

- Welcome and Call to Order
- Land Acknowledgement
- Welcome from National PTA President Yvonne Johnson
- Convention Overview
- Sponsor Spotlight: AIM
- Keynote Speaker: Washington State Teacher of the Year (Blaire Penry)
- State Awards Presentation
- Sponsor Spotlight: Walmart
- Introduce Parliamentarian and Parliamentary Procedure Overview
- Credentials Report
- Adoption of Standing Rules
- Adoption of Agenda
- Election of 2024–2026 Nominating Committee members
- Givebacks Introduction
- Announcements
- Door Prizes

General Session #2 • Saturday May 18, 2024 • 4:30–6:30pm

- State Awards Presentation
- National PTA Outstanding State Advocacy Award highlights
- Finance Officer Report
- Parliamentary Procedure Overview
- Credentials Report
- Consideration of Proposed Bylaw Amendments
- Announcements
- Door Prizes

General Session #3 • Sunday May 19, 2024 • 10:15am–12:15pm

- Awards of Excellence Presentation
- Announcement of the Outstanding PTA of the Year
- State Awards Presentation
- Leadership Service Awards
- Parliamentary Procedure Overview
- Credentials Report
- Consideration of Proposed Bylaw Amendments
- Announcements
- Door Prizes

General Session #4 • Sunday May 19, 2024 • 3:15–5:15pm

- Parliamentary Procedure Overview
- Credentials report
- Consideration of Proposed Bylaw Amendments and Proposed Resolutions
- Door Prizes
- President Report
- Executive Director Remarks (Andrew Estep)
- Closing Remarks (President, Angela Steck and Leadership Director, Tori Emerson)



Important Reminder

Be sure to attend general sessions so you can vote on the proposed bylaw amendments, resolutions, and at-large nominating committee candidate.

Your voice is needed to make decisions about the direction of this association. If you are representing your PTA as a voting delegate, it is your responsibility to educate yourself on the proposed bylaw amendments, resolutions, and candidates and to participate in this process.

Schedule subject to change

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Honored Guests

Outstanding Educator Maddy Thompson



The WSPTA Outstanding Educator Award is presented to an individual who has exhibited continued and dedicated statewide contributions and efforts to enhance the educational outcomes of all children or youth. This is the “Educator of the Year” award that is presented by WSPTA.

This year, WSPTA recognizes Maddy Thompson for this award. She has been a teacher, policy advisor, child advocate, and PTA volunteer, with a consistent commitment to improving the education and opportunities for all children across our state that strongly aligns with WSPTA’s mission. She facilitated the development of state strategic plans to expand access to and preparation for degrees, certificates, and apprenticeships. She conducted research that led to the creation of applied baccalaureate degrees and the integration of basic education and skills training at community colleges. She led the charge to transform the State Need Grant to the Washington College Grant, a program designed to be the most equitable and generous need-based financial aid program in the country.

During the last decade, Maddy Thompson has continued to advocate passionately for K-12 needs with a student-centered focus. She has worked to increase the racial and ethnic diversity of the educator workforce, increase support staff in schools through increasing staff-to-student ratios, expand high quality Special Education services, and improve educator salaries, among many other initiatives. Her experience and dedication helped lead to her appointment as Governor Inslee’s Senior Policy Advisor of Education and College Access.

Thank you, Maddy Thompson, for being a role model and an Outstanding Educator for all children throughout Washington!

Friend of Children Representative Sharon Tomiko Santos



The WSPTA Friend of Children Award recognizes and honors an individual or organization for state-level dedication to all children through service aligned with WSPTA’s vision and mission supporting the welfare, health, safety and/or education of Washington state’s children.

This year, WSPTA recognizes Representative Sharon Tomiko Santos for this award. First elected to the Washington State House of Representatives in 1998, she later became the Chairperson of the House Education Committee in 2011 and has used that position for the past 12 sessions to advance education policy that improves student academic success and recognizes the importance of social and emotional learning. She is a strong advocate for fair and equitable opportunities for all children,

and her efforts align closely with WSPTA’s vision and mission. She works diligently to close the opportunity and achievement gaps that impact many of our students, she strives for districts to address disciplinary concerns that disproportionately affect students of color and vulnerable students, and she tries to ensure that students advancing through the K-12 system are provided with the support and resources they need academically as well as socially and emotionally. She also focuses on ensuring well-trained, high-quality educators are in our schools and our classrooms throughout Washington state.

Outside of education, Representative Santos’ key policy interests include civil rights, women’s rights, economic and environmental justice, affordable housing, and community preservation. She is committed to community service and has served on the boards of many local and national organizations, including the Boys and Girls Clubs of King County, the National Asian Pacific American Women’s Forum, and the University of Washington Business and Economic Development Program Board of Ambassadors. She believes in providing level playing fields that allow those who work hard to succeed. She wants every person within Washington to be safe, be productive, and be successful.

Thank you, Sharon Tomiko Santos, for being a friend of children throughout Washington!

Teacher of the Year Blaire Penry



Blaire Penry is the 2024 Washington State Teacher of the year. She is an Instructional Specialist and electives teacher for grades 6–12 for the Auburn School District. With nearly a decade of experience in education, she has led in the creation of student equity groups, developed and facilitated professional developments nationwide, and

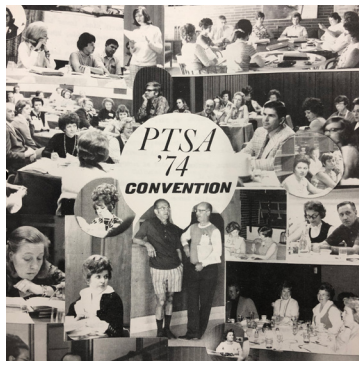
committed to working with local leaders to make sure all students are prepared for the future that they choose.

Passionate about empowering students, she uses her lived experiences and activism work to boldly shape the culture of the learning community. She understands that every student comes in with a wealth of knowledge and life experiences and she makes it a priority to encompass their stories and passions into the curriculum.

Featured in podcasts and articles for outlets such as the League of Education Voters, The Recess, NPR, and others; Penry testifies to the power of building engaging, student-centered learning communities, providing consistent and caring guidance, and elevating students’ positive sense of self.

Penry earned her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from the University of Arizona and a Master of Arts in Teaching from Texas Woman’s University.

When not in the schoolhouse, Penry can be found with her husband, 5 year-old son, and great dane mix exploring all the Pacific Northwest has to offer... or watching cozy British mysteries.



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Beyond the Agenda

Class Materials and Handouts

Class handouts can be found on the Whova app. They will be available for downloading until June 3, 2024.

Get More Out of Convention with the Whova App

- Never miss important updates. Get instant notifications.
- Access the agenda, class materials, and voter's guide.
- Use the Community Boards to post questions, network, and organize social activities.
- Browse professional profiles of all event attendees.
- Send in-app messages and schedule private meetings before and after events.
- Share your experience on social media. Take part in photo sharing.
- Explore sponsors and exhibitors' information.

Door Prizes

Will you be one of the chosen? Each attendee will receive colored door prize tickets when they check in. Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to put your contact information on each ticket and drop them into the color-coordinated bins that are placed around the convention center. Tickets are selected at random from each bin at the close of each general session.

You must be present to win. May the odds be ever in your favor!

Whova Games

Don't miss the games the Whova app promotes during convention. Upload your photos to the app to see if yours ends up being number 1 and earn a prize!

Photo and Recording Policy

By attending WSPTA Convention and Annual Meeting, you grant Washington State PTA the right to record, film, photograph, or capture your likeness in any media and to distribute, broadcast, or otherwise disseminate, in perpetuity, such media without any further approval from, or any payment to you. Note: Parental consent is required to publish photographs featuring attendees under the age of 18.

Recording at any time is not permitted in the general sessions or workshops unless prior permission has been given by the WSPTA President or Executive Director.

Accommodations

Washington State PTA strives to assure that all meetings and other activities of the Association are available for participation by all of its members, consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Washington State Law Against Discrimination (RCW 49.60). Individuals requiring special accommodations to attend or participate in WSPTA meetings should contact the WSPTA office in advance: (253) 214-7410 or email: support@wastatepta.org.

Hotel Check-Out

For our guests staying at the hotels — reminder that check-out is 11:00am.

Food and Beverage Options

Water stations will be available throughout the meeting space. WSPTA is providing complimentary coffee and tea service throughout the day in the foyer space at the event center.

The Lynnwood Event Center has a "grab and go" concession stand on the first floor, near room 1F. The concession stand will serve beverages, breakfast, snacks, and lunch items daily. It only accepts debit and credit cards for payment.

There are several smaller independent restaurants in the same shopping area as the Lynnwood Event Center, as well as multiple options nearby. Here is a link to the Lynnwood Visitor's Bureau website for a comprehensive list: explorellynwood.com/restaurants/

Recharge Room

Convention is an exciting and busy weekend. If you need a quiet place to catch your breath and recharge, please stop by our Recharge Room on the first floor next to the elevators in Room 1A.

Code of Conduct

To provide a safe, welcoming, and harassment-free event, all attendees are expected to follow all health and safety protocols in effect and behave with decorum and civility. Incivility, harassment, discrimination of any kind or failure to follow safety protocols will not be tolerated.

PTA Spirit Day at Convention!

Show your PTA spirit on **Sunday, May 19th**. You can wear your 2024 convention t-shirt, a shirt from your local PTA or council, or any PTA themed shirt. We can't wait to see them!

Recognition Area

Walk through the Recognition Area (located on the lower concourse) to review the successful strategies used by other PTAs and how their efforts might spark some ideas for your PTA/PTSA. Links will be posted so you can visit the various PTA and council sites to get more information and valuable ideas. Since all submissions are fully online now, no binders will be on display.



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PTA Tables

Check out some of the amazing things PTA has to offer at our focus area tables!

Advocacy Table

Share your voice! Stop by the advocacy table to learn about our PTA advocacy platform, how you can get involved, and what we have planned for next year.

Governance Committee/Bylaw Amendments

Do you have questions about the bylaw amendments that we will be considering at this year's Annual Meeting? We'd be happy to chat about all the big decisions on the table this year and get those questions answered before we head for a vote.

Want to learn more about what the WSPTA Governance Committee does? Stop by our table and find out! Hint: We work a lot with the *WSPTA Uniform Bylaws*, *WSPTA Policy*, state non-profit laws and more! We're always on the lookout for more volunteers!

Inclusion For All Table

Stop by to spin the wheel and grab some swag at the Inclusion for All table where you can talk to members of the FACE, DEI, and Special Education Committees. Find tips and resources on how to make sure you are including everyone at your PTA events.

Programs Table

Discover the dynamic range of National and Washington State PTA Programs designed to ignite student enrichment, empower families and communities through education, and recognize the impactful efforts of PTAs in our neighborhoods. From fostering student growth to providing invaluable resources for families, and honoring the tireless dedication of community leaders, our Programs are tailored to inspire, educate, and celebrate. Come explore the hosts of opportunities, because with Programs, there truly is something for everyone!

Membership Table

Come by the Membership Table and pick up your area-colored beads, play a game and win a prize. Did your PTA get the 100% Staff or 100% PTA award? Come by the membership table to pick up your certificate! Don't forget to pick up your Bingo card first thing upon arriving to Convention so that you have plenty of time to get a blackout. Have questions about membership? We'd love to chat!



Join a PTA today!



Scholarship Basket Raffle

Once again, Washington State PTA will be offering a scholarship basket raffle at the conference. For years, this event has been an attendee favorite, and its proceeds provide scholarship money to graduating high school seniors. Raffle baskets are generously donated by individuals, local PTAs, councils, and regions to raise funds for the WSPTA Scholarship Program.

You can support the scholarship program by purchasing \$2 raffle tickets in Room 2B on the second floor. With the purchase of your first twenty tickets, you also receive this year's enameled WSPTA pin while supplies last. The Lynnwood Event Center is a cash-free venue so only credit or debit cards are accepted.

Bios for our 2023-2024 scholarship winners will be displayed so you can see who was assisted this year.

If you would still like to contribute directly to the student scholarship fund, we are accepting donations. You can access the donation form at memberplanet.com/s/wastatepta/scholarship or with this QR code. There is a minimum donation of \$5.00 required. Your consideration is appreciated.



Conference Surveys

This year's event survey will be done through Whova, and will open on Sunday, May 19, 2024. You will have until **noon on Friday, May 24, 2024** to complete the survey and earn points for the Whova Leaderboard Contest. Your feedback helps guide our decision-making process for future Conventions and Annual Meetings and is extremely valuable. We thank you in advance for taking a few minutes to complete the survey.



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Learning Sessions

NOTE: Classes are subject to change. Check the Whova app for presenters and room assignments.

Learning Session 1 (Friday, May 17 • 10:00– 11:30am)		
Class Title	Class Description	Track(s)
F101 Family & Community Engagement: Empowering ALL Families	PTA family and community engagement activities strengthen communities! Assess your PTA's current engagement practices, and set goals to help your PTA become a welcoming, relevant, diverse, dynamic force in your community.	FACE/DEI
F102 Planning Your PTA's Fall Membership Campaign	This class was created to provide all local PTA board members, and especially membership chairs, tactical guidance for implementing a fall membership drive. Join us and walk away with ideas you can begin to implement this summer!	Membership
F103 Councils Supporting Local PTAs	After providing an overview of the role of councils in PTA, this class emphasizes how councils can provide leadership growth and support among member PTAs.	Councils/ Secondary
F104 Managing Your PTA Finances	We'll be revisiting the basics of managing your PTA's finances, with information pulled from both our Treasurer Basics and Managing Your Nonprofit classes. These classes have a lot of information, so we hope this class can give you a primer. We will also be breaking up into groups and working through some financial scenarios towards the end of the presentation.	Leadership
F105 Programs to Engage Your Community	Let's talk about what it means to engage your community. Why should that be a goal for your PTA? Learn how to create a slate of programs and activities that are meaningful, useful and fun for your families and community, and achieve great results for your PTA at the same time.	Programs
Learning Session 2 (Friday, May 17 • 1:00– 2:30pm)		
Class Title	Class Description	Track(s)
F201 Advocacy & Legislative Basics	PTA was built on advocacy. This class will help you recognize your PTA's advocacy efforts and give you suggestions and ideas to build on them. Communication and encouraging your PTA members to participate in WSPTA advocacy efforts is important. This is a beginner's class for new leaders.	Advocacy
F202 Bylaws Education	Have questions about the Bylaws amendments we'll be voting on during General Sessions? Join us for this overview of the bylaws in your voter's guide, and ask members of the Governance Committee clarifying questions before we begin the voting. Delegates wishing to amend the proposed bylaws amendments must attend either a Bylaws Education Session or the Amendment Writing Lab.	Governance
F203 Roles & Responsibilities of the Board	This presentation will help all board members understand the basic responsibilities of their positions – and everyone else's! It will also cover items such as advocacy, fiduciary responsibility, membership and outreach.	Board Basics
F204 Avoiding Burnout: Teambuilding & Delegation	Stress and burnout are two common issues PTA leaders must contend with at some time. Most of us think of burnout as a result of overcommitment and mis-management. Burnout is the very natural response of our brain to overwhelming stress. We'll discuss ideas to better understand, mitigate, and combat this very common issue in PTA. Let's work to minimize and recognize burnout in ourselves and others.	Leadership
F205 Council Summit	If you're a council leader, you'll want to attend the summit for our in-person finale of summits for the year. Share ideas, talk with fellow council leaders from around the state and get some tips from WSPTA Board of Directors' members.	Councils/ Secondary
PTA and the Law Learning Session (Friday, May 17 • 3:00–6:00pm)		
Class Title	Class Description	Track(s)
PTA and the Law	This is the most important and useful class of them all, as it will prepare you and your fellow officers to run your PTA with an eye toward the important legal and fiscal requirements in running a nonprofit. PTA and the Law deals with state and federal rules and regulations relevant to running a charitable, tax-exempt, nonprofit corporation in the state of Washington and will explain how these rules impact your PTA. PTA and the Law is a required class for at least one PTA officer each year.	Governance

Learning Session 3 (Saturday, May 18 • 8:00–9:15am)		
Class Title	Class Description	Track(s)
A301 Mastering Robert's Rules for Effective Meetings	Everything in life has rules — baseball, poker, driving, you name it! Meetings need rules too. While rules do not have to be the focus of your meeting, you need to have them to avoid some common meeting pitfalls. Join us for an interactive journey of a PTA membership meeting to see how to make meetings more approachable but still professional and fair to all attendees.	Governance
A302 Bylaws Education	Have questions about the Bylaws amendments we'll be voting on during General Sessions? Join us for this overview of the bylaws in your voter's guide, and ask members of the Governance Committee clarifying questions before we begin the voting. Delegates wishing to amend the proposed bylaws amendments must attend either a Bylaws Education Session or the Amendment Writing Lab.	Governance
A303 National PTA Grants – A Great Opportunity to Support the Work of Your PTA	While funding is not needed to run many National PTA Programs, it can certainly be a great benefit! Come learn about the many ways that National PTA is able to support your PTA in executing programs through our various grant opportunities. We will walk you through our grant application process, and talk you through the anticipated funding options for the 2024–2025 school year. Whether your local PTA has received funding from National PTA before or if you are learning about our grants for the first time, this session will help you get prepared to apply for the upcoming grant opportunities. Applying for, and implementing, a grant from National PTA doesn't have to be scary; let us show you how!	Leadership
A304 Branding & Marketing Your PTA	Your PTA's reputation is its most important asset, and the key to success in membership, fundraising, programs, and much more! Uncover the secrets behind successful branding and marketing and apply them to your PTA. Identify your target audiences, determine your PTA's value proposition, and build awareness of your PTA brand using proven marketing and communication strategies.	Membership
A305 PTA Boards & Administrators	PTAs and school principals need successful partnerships to reach their common goal — success for every child. Learn valuable techniques for communicating and understanding the perspective of each partner in this important relationship, and discuss how to make the most of your interactions!	Leadership
Learning Session 4 (Saturday, May 18 • 1:00–2:15pm)		
Class Title	Class Description	Track(s)
A401 Creating Your Leadership Legacy	This class will empower you to be an impactful leader of your PTA. As leaders we all leave a legacy, the question is do you want it to be a positive or a negative one? We will discuss how to understand your purpose as a leader and the importance of building relationships and networks. In addition, we will cover the importance of leading with integrity and empowering others to continue moving your vision forward.	Leadership
A402 Speak-Up School: Your voice matters!	Sharpen your advocacy skills with the League of Women Voters. Review basics about voter registration and how to identify your elected officials. Learn how to speak up for issues you care about in this supportive and engaging session. Included are tips and tools for creating powerful written testimony and delivering your statement with impact.	Advocacy
A403 The Effective Vice President	Every board can have a vice president, but not every board is equally effective using their vice president. In this class we'll address what it means to be a VP and your responsibilities and role on the board while growing your leadership skills.	Board Basics
A404 Celebrating Student and PTA Achievements	Celebrating your PTA's hard work is just one reason to consider applying for awards. Hear about the variety of awards Washington State PTA offers for volunteer leaders and students and how to implement them in your PTA.	Programs
A405 Treasurer Basics	This class is intended for new treasurers or those with many questions about their jobs. Our goal is to help you be more confident in your Treasurer position!	Board Basics
Sponsor Learning Session (Saturday, May 18 • 2:30–3:15pm)		
Class Title	Class Description	Track(s)
Sponsor Session: AIM Insurance	Why Does Your PTA Need Insurance? Your event is decorated, everyone has arrived, the fundraiser is making money, everyone is happy. But then someone gets hurt and you realize that you forgot to purchase insurance...now what? What if you discover some of the fundraising money was stolen? Don't put yourself in that situation. Come to this learning workshop to find out how to protect yourself and your PTA. AIM will discuss the liability our PTA's face, what coverages are available, and offer any guidance on what you need to do to protect yourself.	

Sponsor Session: Airorganics	Is your School Building making you sick? Addressing indoor air quality in schools is a serious issue. Learn more about why it is time to raise indoor air quality standards in public schools and how to take an offensive approach.	
Sponsor Session: Walmart Perks for your PTA!	This session will delve into what Walmart Business is, how it works, and the opportunities for PTAs to save on items they purchase regularly for their PTA use. Walmart Business can help PTAs save money with tax-exempt purchases & save time with fast delivery and pickup. They also have special offers for PTAs who sign up! Plus, you'll learn about the Spark Good Charitable tools available to all PTAs for fundraising, grants and more. Come learn about ways to save on your PTA's supplies and take advantage of other nonprofit perks with Walmart and Walmart Business.	
Sponsor Session: Shake Alarm	Seismic events can indeed evoke fear and uncertainty, especially for those living in earthquake-prone regions. However, the USGS ShakeAlert system serves as a beacon of reassurance in the face of such fears. By providing early warnings of impending earthquakes, Shake Alarm offers individuals and communities precious time to prepare and take necessary safety precautions. Come learn how this advanced notification system transforms fear into empowerment, allowing people to proactively respond rather than reactively panic during seismic events.	
PTA Healthy Minds: How Can PTAs Help Families Make Mental Health an Every Day Priority	Come learn about National PTA's new PTA Healthy Minds programming. Your PTA is perfectly positioned to help families and communities make mental health a priority! You will learn about the program materials National PTA has to help your PTA understand the needs of families and share relevant resources with them, communicate with school administration, and facilitate PTA Healthy Minds sessions with families.	
Plenary Learning Session (Saturday, May 18 • 3:30–4:30pm)		
Class Title	Class Description	Track(s)
PTA Connected (Continued Conversation): Navigating the Ups and Downs of Digital Life	Parenting in the digital age can be challenging, and today's families are faced with many tough decisions surrounding technology use and navigating digital spaces. Through the PTA Connected initiative and related programming, National PTA empowers PTA leaders and families with tools and resources to strengthen their digital health, online safety and digital citizenship. This session explores several of the key themes of PTA Connected and invites participants to learn more about PTA Connected programs and National PTA program grant opportunities, in particular the Ready, Tech, Go! program, supported by AT&T. Hosted by National PTA's PTA Connected National Ambassador, Mikki Wilson, join us for PART 2 to continue the conversation left off at last year's 2023 convention.	
Learning Session 5 (Sunday, May 19 • 8:30–10:00am)		
Class Title	Class Description	Track(s)
U501 Planning for Success: Board Retreat, Goal Setting & Budgeting	Board Retreats are important for the health of a PTA. In this presentation you will learn the basics of a retreat, setting goals with your Board of Directors, and amending your budget in order to meet these goals. Through small group work you will create shared agreements, goals, and ideas for fun board activities that you can take back to your own Board retreat.	Leadership
U502 President: Plan to Succeed	From start to finish, this class will guide you through your most important jobs as a president. We'll discuss building and leading your team, chairing meetings, communication, legal compliance, and how to develop relationships that will allow your PTA to work collaboratively with your school administration and community leaders.	Board Basics
U503 Including Families & Students with Disabilities in PTAs	Why aren't Special Education or disabled families participating in your events and activities? There are some simple changes that can help engage all families by overcoming common challenges. This class will share examples of adapted programs and discuss how to support the special artist division of Reflections.	FACE/DEI
U504 Effective Budgets & Financial Strategies	Building a goal-based budget is key to the success of PTAs. Learn how to assess your PTA's financial management practices and how to develop and amend budgets. Topics discussed in this class are not covered in the class "Managing Your Nonprofit PTA."	Leadership
U505 Negotiating Conflict	Participants will learn strategies for fostering positive and productive relationships with volunteers, board members, and other adults who work with PTA in a variety of roles. It's not always easy, but with some empathy, some careful listening, and some strategies for when conflict arises, you can get the most from your PTA relationships.	Leadership

Learning Session 6 (Sunday, May 19 • 1:30–3:00pm)

Class Title	Class Description	Track(s)
U601 Managing Your Nonprofit PTA	The financial management of the PTA is the responsibility of the entire board of directors. Learn the basic financial skills to manage and track PTA funds, online accounts, legal obligations to maintain your tax-exempt status and other considerations. Recommended for all elected officers and board members.	Governance
U602 Raising a Child of Color in the Pacific Northwest	What do you do when your child of color comes home and asks about the meaning of a racial slur? Do you sit down and explain? Are you speechless? Do you tell them to just ignore the other person and eventually this problem will go away? As an experienced educator who has worked in predominately white settings and predominately majority-minority settings, there are ways to teach your child how to self-advocate and make sure the administration at your child’s school knows you will NOT back down. But how? This is a session where we get real about lived experiences of children and adults of color in predominately white settings, how to speak up and show up from someone in the trenches.	Advocacy
U603 Secretary, More Than Just Minutes	This class prepares a PTA Secretary to engage in the tasks associated with this important role. Some people think that this role is all about taking good notes, but that’s only part of the job! This class will cover the basics of responsibilities and how to be successful in support of your PTA.	Board Basics
U604 Middle School & High School: PTA Relevance, Engagement & Success	PTA may feel like a whole new world in middle and high school, but it is still a critical, relevant resource for families. This workshop will discuss finding your PTA’s relevance, the role played by ASB and booster organizations, and how to work together effectively to maximize resources.	Councils/ Secondary
U605 Expanding Student & Family Advocacy	Learn how to increase opportunities for students and families to participate in year-round advocacy to help build momentum and increase the impact within your PTA community. Invite your school community to meaningfully engage in democracy and to experience how powerful their voices are. These actions can have big payoffs both for change and for empowerment. This workshop is about ways to build a modular and scalable advocacy effort at your school.	Advocacy

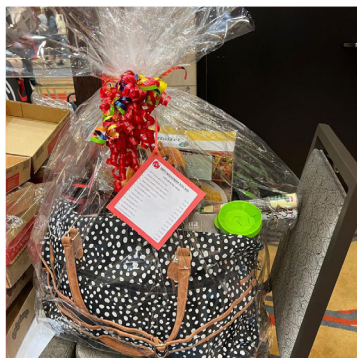


WSPTA Welcomes Givebacks!

We are very excited to welcome members of the Givebacks team, who will be on hand at convention this year to introduce themselves and our new membership database system, which will be fully rolled out in the coming months. Please take the time to visit their table, say hello, and ask any questions you have about this new platform.

It’s never fun to have to relearn a new system, but we know that most PTAs will find Givebacks to be an improvement both with regards to user-friendliness and available support. We’ve ensured that PTAs will have ample opportunities to receive one-on-one onboarding time with Givebacks representatives, who have blocked off much of May to help support WSPTA.

Please visit wastatepta.org/givebacks/ and/or info.givebacks.com/wspta to learn more about this transition process. And if you haven’t yet received any emails or notices about claiming your Givebacks account, please let us know!



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Voter's Guide

"Delegates will consider 12 proposed amendments to the *WSPTA Uniform Bylaws* and one new and two amended resolutions as shown in the [Voter's Guide](#).

Want to Amend the Proposed bylaws?

Amendments must be pre-submitted by the deadline (Saturday, May 18 at 1pm) **AND NEW THIS YEAR You must attend** either a Bylaws Education Session or the Amendments Writing Lab:

- Bylaws Education Session, Friday, May 17 at 1pm
- Bylaws Education Session, Saturday, May 18 at 8am
- Amendment Writing Lab, Saturday, May 18 at 11:30am

Need help writing a motion?

Get your questions answered at the Amendments Writing Lab on Saturday during lunch.

How Things Work

How Things Work outlines all the important things to know in order to have a successful experience at the convention and annual meeting. Many of the "rules" are requirements of the law (noted as Revised Code of Washington (RCW)), *WSPTA Uniform Bylaws* (bylaws), WSPTA Policy (policy), or our parliamentary authority, Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (RR). The information in the debate and voting section is contained in the proposed [2024 WSPTA Annual Meeting Standing Rules](#) (SRs) (see page 21.)

Important Deadlines (RCW, policy, SRs)

- **Voting delegate** registration deadline is **May 6 at 12pm (noon)**.
- Space permitting, members may be able to register as a provisional delegate through **May 15 at 12pm (noon)**. In order to be a voting delegate, they must send evidence from their PTA President that they were named as a voting delegate to support@wastatepta.org.
- Registration deadline for audience members and provisional delegates is **May 15 at 12pm (noon)**.
- On-site registration, space permitting, opens at **9am on May 17**.
- Deadline to submit motions to amend the proposed bylaws amendments is **May 18 at 1pm**.

Voting Delegate vs. Audience Member (bylaws)

- **Audience member** – Any invited guests, member of a local PTA, or supporting member of WSPTA may register to attend the WSPTA Convention and Annual Meeting. Audience members have access to all classes and materials, educational opportunities, networking, exhibitors, and general sessions, but do not have voice or vote, and may not submit motions or amendments.
- **Voting Delegate** – A voting delegate must be a member of a local PTA. They have access to all the same opportunities as audience members. They also have voice and vote and may submit motions and amendments during debate, since they have indicated that they been designated as a voting delegate by their local or council PTA president.

Amendment Best Practices

EXAMPLE

"I move to amend resolved clause #2, bullet #1, by striking the word "parent" after the word "authentic" and inserting the words "family and community."

- Collaborate with others
- Do not wordsmith
- Clearly state the changes you want
- Use "add/insert" or "strike/delete"
- Include language you want and where it goes
- Stick to one focus at a time

- Detailed information about the voting delegate authorization process can be found on the [voting information webpage](#).

Voting delegate information (RCW, bylaws, policy)

- Voting credentials are issued to voting delegates who have registered for the convention and annual meeting and have indicated they have been authorized by their local PTA or council president as a voting delegate no later than noon on May 6.
- Local PTA voting delegates must be a member of the local PTA they represent. Council voting delegates must be a member of a local PTA in the council they represent.
- Delegates may only vote on behalf of one local PTA or council – the local PTA or council under which they have registered.
- Voting credentials are non-transferable and cannot be replaced.
- The method for selecting voting delegates and alternates should be specified in a local PTA or council's standing rules.
- Local PTAs in good standing have voting delegates determined by the number of paid members at the end of January 2024. PTAs with up to 200 members are entitled to four voting delegates; one additional delegate may be added for each additional 100 members.
- Each council in good standing is entitled to have four voting delegates.
- New local PTAs and councils chartered after January 31, 2024, are allowed delegates based on the membership number recorded in the WSPTA office 30 days prior to the annual meeting.

Expectations for all attendees (RR, policy)

- All attendees must wear an official current-year convention badge at all activities.
- All cell phones or other noise-producing devices must be put on vibrate or silent mode during all general sessions, workshops, panels, and classes.
- All video and/or live streaming during general sessions is prohibited unless pre-approved by the chair.

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- All campaign materials in support of or opposition to one or more candidates for the WSPTA Nominating Committee or the resolutions and bylaws amendments under consideration by the voting delegates must have the approval of the chair prior to distribution.
- Any item supporting or opposing a candidate or a ballot measure in a general election, candidates for the WSPTA Nominating Committee, or the resolutions and bylaws amendments under consideration by the voting delegates must not be visible during general sessions.
- Once a motion has been made and seconded, it will be restated by the chair, who will then ask for discussion and recognize the maker of the motion for their speech in favor.
- Resolutions may not have more than four resolved clauses.
- Resolution whereas clauses will be updated by the resolutions committee as needed.
- Amendments to correct grammar, spelling, punctuation, style, cross-references and make other technical changes will be handled by WSPTA, so amendments to correct these items will not be in order.
- [See Parliamentary Procedure Simplified](#) on page 20 for more information about motions that delegates can make and their priority order (precedence).

What will be voted on? (RR, bylaws)

- Delegates will vote on the adoption of the agenda and the proposed standing rules.
- Delegates will vote to elect the 2024–2026 WSPTA Nominating Committee on May 18. See the [Election & Candidate Information webpage](#) for more details.
- Delegates will consider the proposed amendments to the *WSPTA Uniform Bylaws* and Resolutions as shown in the [Voter's Guide](#) on May 18 and 19.
- **Emergency or Substitute Legislative Positions or Resolutions:** Delegates shall not consider emergency or substitute legislative positions or resolutions, other than those originally presented to the delegates, without prior approval of the WSPTA board of directors.

Proposed Amendments to the *WSPTA Uniform Bylaws* and Resolutions

Bylaws Education Sessions and Amendment Writing Lab (bylaws, SRs)

- Education sessions are the best way for attendees to understand the proposed bylaws amendments. These are opportunities for delegates to learn and ask questions about the proposals, so they can fully participate in the debate and voting process.
- Any attendee may participate in the bylaws education sessions. Only voting delegates (including student voting delegates) have the right to propose motions, speak in debate, ask questions, or vote at the annual meeting.
- There will be two Bylaws Education sessions: **Friday, May 17 at 1pm and Saturday, May 18 at 8am.**
- There will be an **Amendment Writing Lab Saturday, May 18 during lunch.**

Motions (policy, RR, SRs)

- All motions, except for motions to amend the proposed bylaws amendments (see below), can be made during debate on the motion forms found at the microphone tables.
- Motions for secondary amendments (amendments to motions to amend) will be allowed during debate.
- **Proper form:** Motions to make amendments (primary and secondary amendments) must clearly state what change(s) you want to happen. **Use the following language (add/insert and strike/delete) and format:**
"I move to amend resolved clause #2, bullet #1, by striking the word "parent" after the word "authentic" and inserting the words "family and community."
- Only the parts of the resolutions that are in the shaded boxes in the Voters' Guide are open for amendment and debate.
- All motions must be seconded by another voting delegate before it can be discussed.

Motions to amend a proposed bylaws amendment (RR, SRs)

- The language of each proposed bylaws amendment has already been reviewed by the WSPTA Governance Committee, the WSPTA Parliamentarian, the WSPTA Board of Directors, and legal counsel. However, a voting delegate may propose to change the language of the proposed bylaws amendments. Any amendments adopted by the delegates should be considered pending, subject to review by the WSPTA legal counsel prior to going into effect on July 1.
- Motions to amend the proposed bylaws amendments must be **pre-submitted by Saturday, May 18 at 1pm** in writing on the designated motion form.

NOTE: Only voting delegates who attend one of the Bylaws Education Sessions or the Amendment Writing Lab will be able to submit motions to amend the proposed bylaws amendments.

- **Proper form:** Motions to amend the proposed bylaws amendments must clearly state what change(s) you want to happen. Use the following language (add/insert and strike/delete) and format:
"In bylaws proposal #2, after word "for" strike out the word "adoption" and insert the word "consideration."
- Only the parts of the proposed bylaws amendments with changes, as shown in the voter's guide as **bold/underlined** or ~~strikethrough~~, are open for amendment and debate. A motion to amend may only alter those words that are changing in the proposed bylaw amendment. If it is not **bold/underlined** or ~~strikethrough~~, those words cannot be changed in your motion to amend.
- Amendments should also try to stick to one focus at a time. For example, if there is a proposed bylaws amendment with multiple parts and a delegate would like to propose changes to two of them, it would be better to submit two separate amendments. The reason for this is that if delegates like one of the amendments but not the other, the whole motion may fail if they are considered together.
- Voting delegates will receive further instructions on next steps after submitting their motion.
- Submitted motions will be reviewed by the WSPTA Parliamentarian for conformity to established submission guidelines. Those found to be in order may be put into proper form.
- Motions found to be in order will be considered during debate for each proposed bylaws amendment in the order they were received. For example, all the motions to amend proposed bylaw amendment #1 will be considered during debate on bylaw amendment #1, and in the order that the motions were received.

- Delegates with motions still need to proceed to the motions microphone and wait to be recognized by the chair prior to presenting their motion.

Debate and Voting during General Sessions (policy, RR, SRs)

- See also [Flow Diagram of Bylaws Voting Process](#) on page 19
- Voting delegates are encouraged to participate in the debate process!
- There are 3 microphones in the general session room, each with a different purpose:
 - **Microphone 1**, labeled “for” or “pro”, is for delivering speeches in favor of the motion being considered. In addition, all motions are made from microphone 1.
 - **Microphone 2**, labeled “against” or “con”, is for delivering speeches in opposition to the motion being considered.
 - **Microphone 3**, labeled “information” is where delegates can ask questions about the motion being debated, the rules, or certain other actions.
 - See [Parliamentary Procedure Simplified](#) on page 20 for more information.
- After the introduction of a proposed bylaws amendment or resolution, one voting delegate may speak in favor, followed by one voting delegate in opposition, before any motions may be proposed.
- To speak, voting delegates must first be recognized by the chair. After the chair recognizes the voting delegate, they **state their name and local PTA or council number**.
- Each speech in debate is limited to 90 seconds.
- No voting delegate may speak more than twice on the pending motion, and no one may speak a second time until everyone who wants to has spoken once.
- The chair will alternate recognizing speakers at the “for” and “against” microphone, or until the total time of debate has expired.
- The total time of debate for each main motion (proposed bylaws amendment 1–12 or resolutions) is 12 minutes.
- The total time of debate clock will stop for all questions and other matters from microphone 3, or by the chair as needed.
- After the first speech in favor, if there are no delegates wishing to speak against and no motions to amend, the vote will be taken without further debate.
- If an amendment is proposed, the chair will recognize the motion maker to speak in favor, and one voting delegate to speak against, before a secondary amendment may be proposed.
- At the conclusion of the first speech in favor of the motion to amend, if no voting delegate has approached the “against” microphone and there are no secondary amendments or other motions, the vote on the motion to amend will be taken without further debate.
- This process is repeated for each motion to amend until all the motions to amend have been processed, or the total debate time for the main motion has expired. If time remains after all amendments have been processed, debate on the main motion (as amended) will resume until the total debate time expires. When there are no further voting delegates wishing to speak, or total debate time has expired, the vote on the main motion, as amended, will be taken.
- Delegates will vote by raising their voting credentials card when directed by the chair.

- Adoption of resolutions requires a majority vote, and adoption of proposed bylaws amendments require a 2/3 vote in the affirmative.
- If needed, a rising vote or counted vote may be used, at the request of the chair or a voting delegate. No one may enter the general session room during a counted vote.

Example Debate and Voting Scenarios

Example 1 — No amendments submitted, no con speakers:

- Begin debate of the proposal
- Proponent opening statement (90 seconds max)
- Seeing no con speakers and no motions
- Vote taken without further debate

Example 2 — No amendments submitted, with con speakers:

- Begin debate of the proposal
- Proponent opening statement (90 seconds max)
- Speaker in opposition
- Alternate speakers between the “for” and “against”
- Vote when we run out of speakers or total debate time

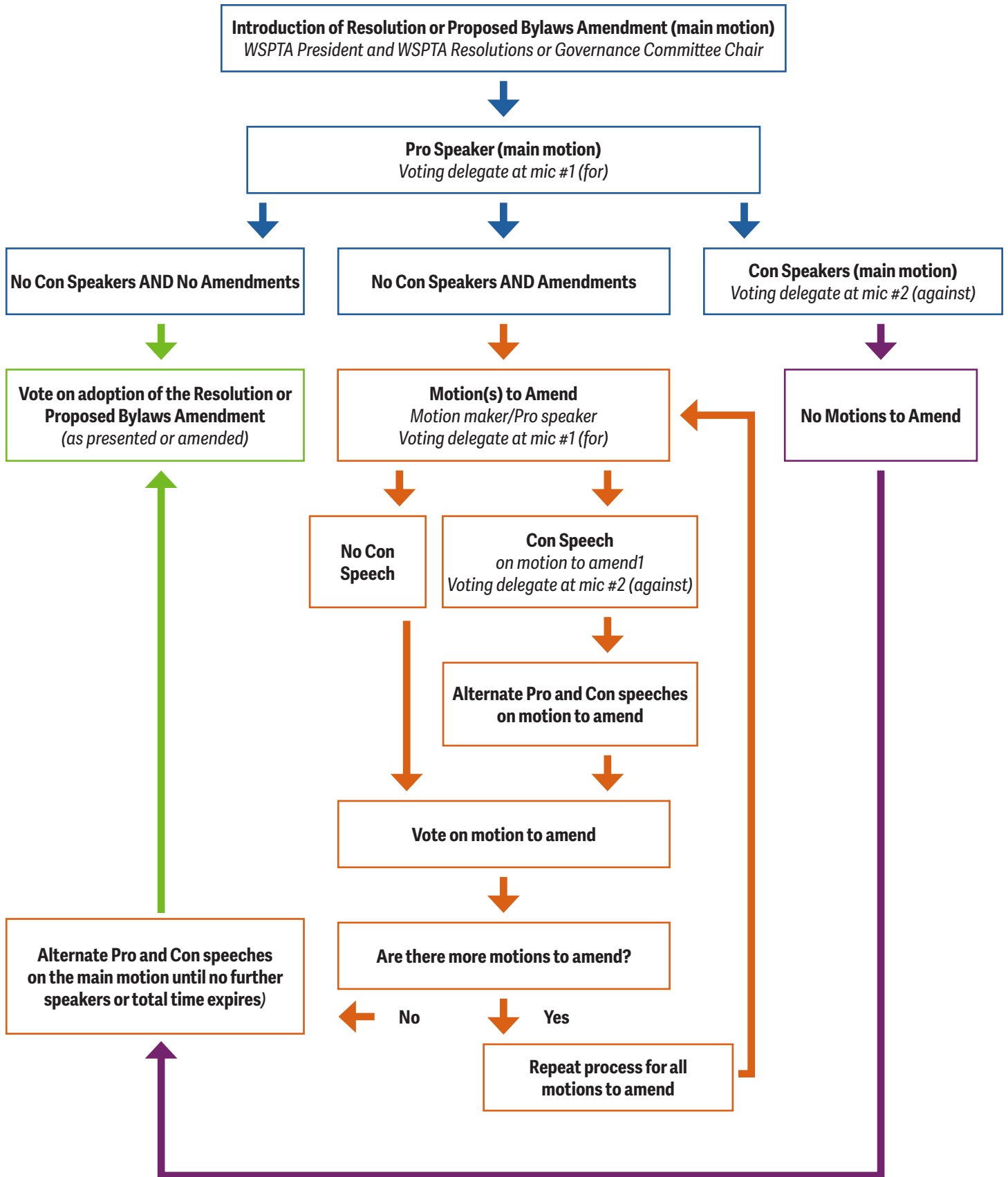
Example 3 — Amendments have been submitted:

- Begin debate of the proposal
- Proponent opening statement (90 seconds max)
- Speaker in opposition (if there is one)
- Consider motions to amend
- Alternate speakers between the “for” and “against”
- Vote when we run out of speakers or total debate time

Requests for Information, Inquiries, and Points of Order (RR)

- A voting delegate who has a question (request for information), a parliamentary inquiry, or wishes to raise a point of order or a question of privilege should go to microphone 3 and let the microphone attendant know why they are there. The attendant will signal the chair about the nature of the request.
- If the question is not relevant to the motion currently under consideration (germane), the chair will rule the comments out of order at the current time.
- **Request for Information/Inquiry:**
 - If a voting delegate does not understand what is happening during the meeting, they may ask a question:
 - ◆ Sometimes the issues get confusing, and you do not know which motion is being discussed.
 - ◆ You may have a question on the effect of a vote under consideration.
 - The chair will take this up before recognizing the next speaker.
 - The inquiry must be a specific question to ask for factual information or to ask a procedural question.
 - An inquiry may not be used to make a point in rebuttal or to clarify a point made in debate.
 - Rhetorical questions are debate, not requests for information.
 - The chair will respond to your question or ask someone to answer, and there is no discussion.
- **Points of Order:**
 - If a voting delegate believes a procedural rule is being violated or ignored, they may raise a point of order.
 - Points of order will be ruled on by the chair, and the ruling may be appealed by the delegates.

Flow Diagram Of The Debate And Voting Process



Parliamentary Procedure Simplified

Debate

To do this:	Go to Mic:	When called on by the chair, state your name and PTA name and number, and:
Speak in favor (pro)	1 (Pro)	Give your speech; 90-second limit
Speak against (con)	2 (Con)	Give your speech; 90-second limit

Ranking motions – from Mic 1

A motion in this list cannot be made if a motion above it is currently on the floor.

To propose:	Wording of motion: (If called on by the chair, state your name and PTA name and number, and say:)	Needs a second?	Open to debate?	Can be amended?	What vote is needed?
Adjourn a meeting	<i>I move that we adjourn.</i>	Yes	No	No	Majority
Call an intermission	<i>I move that we recess for ___ minutes.</i>	Yes	No	Yes	Majority
End debate and amendments	<i>I move the previous question. (OR: I move to close debate.)</i>	Yes	No	No	2/3
Extend debate	<i>I move to extend debate by ___ minutes.</i>	Yes	No	Yes	2/3
Postpone discussion until a specific time	<i>I move to postpone the discussion until...</i>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Study a question in more detail	<i>I move to refer the matter to the _____ committee.</i>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Amend a motion	<i>I move to amend the motion by...</i>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Main motion	<i>I move to...</i>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority

Other motions – from Mic 1

To do this:	Wording of motion: (If called on by the chair, state your name and PTA name and number, and say:)	Needs a second?	Open to debate?	Can be amended?	What vote is needed?
Suspend rules temporarily	<i>I move to suspend the rules so that...</i>	Yes	No	No	2/3

Questions, points of order, appeals – from Mic 3 (Information)

To do this:	When called on by the chair, say:	Needs a second?	Open to debate?	Can be amended?	What vote is needed?
Ask a question for information	(Ask your question about the pending motion.)	No	No	No	No vote
Ask a question about the rules or process	(Ask your question regarding rules or process.)	No	No	No	No vote
Complain about noise, etc.	(State your concern.)	No	No	No	No vote
Protest breach of rules or conduct	<i>Point of order!</i> (And then state which rules may have been broken or are not being enforced.)	No	No	No	No vote
Appeal a ruling by the chair	<i>I appeal the chair's decision.</i>	Yes	Yes, usually	No	Majority

2024 WSPTA Annual Meeting Standing Rules

- Voting Credentials:** Only voting delegates with voting credential cards have the right to voice and vote. Lost voting credential cards will not be replaced.
- Speaking in Debate:** A voting delegate wishing to speak in favor (for or pro) or against (opposed or con) the pending motion must proceed to the appropriate microphone.
- Requesting Information:** A voting delegate wishing to make a request for information or a parliamentary inquiry must proceed to the "information" microphone.
- Recognition by the Chair:** When recognized by the chair, the voting delegate will give their name and the name of the local PTA or council represented or WSPTA position held.
- Length of Speeches:** No voting delegate shall speak for more than 90 seconds at a time or more than twice on any pending item of business.
- Total Debate Time per Main Motion:** Total debate time for each main motion shall be a total of twelve (12) minutes. The total time clock will stop for all matters and replies at the "information" microphone. The total time clock may also be stopped by the chair as needed.
- Bylaws Education Session or Amendment Writing Lab Requirement:** Any voting delegate wishing to submit an amendment to the proposed bylaws amendments must first attend a Bylaws Education or Amendment Writing Lab Session and obtain a motion to amend the bylaws form.
- Motions to Amend the Proposed Bylaws Amendments:** In order to be considered, motions to amend the proposed bylaw amendments must use the form obtained by attending a Bylaws Education Session or Amendment Writing Lab, be pre-submitted by **1:00pm on Saturday, May 18** and be found in order by the chair. Motion makers are still required to line up at the "for" microphone when debate on the bylaws amendment they want to amend begins and wait to be recognized by the chair.
- Review and Consideration:** Proposed motions to amend the proposed bylaws amendments will be reviewed for conformity with established submission guidelines and may be put into proper form. Amendments for each proposed bylaws amendment will be considered in the order in which they are received.
- Motions to Amend Resolutions, Other Main Motions, and Motions to Make Secondary Amendments:** After the introduction of a main motion, a voting delegate wishing to make any other main motion (including to amend resolutions) and all secondary amendments, shall submit the motion in writing on a motion form available from the microphone tables, proceed to the "for" microphone, and wait to be recognized by the chair.
- Debate Process without Motions:** After the introduction of a main motion, one voting delegate speaking in favor of the motion and one speaking against the motion will be given the opportunity to speak in debate before any amendments may be proposed. The chair will alternate recognizing speakers at the "for" and "against" microphones, or until the total time has expired. At the conclusion of the first speech in favor of the motion, if no voting delegate has approached the "against" microphone and there are no amendments or other motions, the vote on the main motion will be taken without further debate.
- Debate Process with Motions to Amend:** If an amendment is proposed, the chair will recognize one voting delegate in favor of the amendment (the motion maker) and one voting delegate against before a secondary amendment may be proposed. The chair will alternate recognizing speakers at the "for" and "against" microphone, or until the total time has expired. At the conclusion of the first speech in favor of the motion to amend, if no voting delegate has approached the "against" microphone and there are no secondary amendments or other motions, the vote on the motion to amend will be taken without further debate.

This process is repeated for each motion to amend until all the motions to amend have been processed, or the total debate time for the main motion has expired. If time remains after all amendments have been processed, debate on the main motion (as amended) will resume until the total debate time expires. When there are no further voting delegates wishing to speak, or total debate time has expired, the vote on the main motion, as amended, will be taken. (See also [Flow Diagram of Debate and Voting Process](#))
- Voting Process:** Voting delegates shall show their voting credential cards when voting. During a counted vote, no one may enter the meeting room.



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Nominating Committee Candidate Bios

Bethanie Clark

(Dessie Evans PTA 5.7.22)

Candidate Statement: I'm new to PTA this year and have learned a lot. I have enjoyed getting to serve on the board at my daughter's school and believe getting to participate in the nominating committee would be another great opportunity. The more I learn about PTA and the opportunities that are provided to the community and our families the more I want to participate and learn. I've been able to learn a lot in the last 6 months or so and feel like there is so much more to learn. I'm looking forward to participating in as many of the training opportunities and committees as time and scheduling allow. Each opportunity is another chance to learn something new and the nominating committee is the next new thing I'm looking forward to learning more about

Teri Davis

(Hazel Dell PTA 3.7.30)

Candidate Statement: I am running to serve on the Nominating Committee because I know it is important for the future of WSPTA to find additional leaders.

Members across the state are more qualified than they think. While we need experienced leaders, we also need individuals with a heart for PTA, a desire to serve, learn, and the bravery to step forward to lead a level above their perceived skill set. We grow when we stretch ourselves.

WSPTA leaders and members across the state, you can do this. We need you. The future of your PTA depends on volunteers at the council, region, and state level. It's time to move out of your comfort zone and set an example of leadership. If you serve locally, step up to council or region. Council leaders step up to region or state. This will benefit children across the state and show what PTA can do for the community and beyond.

I would be honored to help in this capacity, but it will be difficult if others aren't willing to step forward. The leaders are out there – it's time to move up. I'm hoping anyone reading this will consider this your invitation to take the next step.

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UNITE SPEAK ADVOCATE CHAMPION CONNECT INVEST

PTAs Newly Chartered

Washington State PTA would like to welcome the following local PTAs/PTSA's that were chartered since last year's convention through April 30, 2024:

PTA Name	Charter Date
Sacajawea Middle PTSA 9.4.91	April 2024
Bellevue Digital Discovery PTSA 2.3.100	April 2024
Panther Lake PTA 9.4.50	April 2024
Eleanor Roosevelt Elementary PTA 3.7.65	February 2024
Elmhurst PTA 5.5.25	February 2024
Nisqually Totems PTSA 4.4.51	February 2024
Voyager Middle PTA 7.5.30	February 2024
PTA of Methow Valley 12.13.10	December 2023
Gilbert Elementary PTA 11.2.30	November 2023
VITA Elementary School PTSA 3.7.45	November 2023
Sequoyah Middle PTSA 9.4.94	November 2023
Mirror Lake PTA 9.4.30	November 2023
Lake Dolloff PTA 9.4.20	October 2023
Lydia J Hawk PTA 4.4.5	October 2023
Dunlap PTSA 6.15.95	October 2023
Hilltop Heritage Elementary PTA 9.11.40	September 2023
Northshore Special Education Community PTSA 6.10.95	September 2023
Sunnycrest PTA 9.4.60	May 2023
Larchmont PTA 10.9.105	May 2023

Join a WSPTA Committee or Region Service Committee

Want to get more involved with WSPTA? Consider joining a WSPTA Committee:

- Advocacy or Resolutions Committee
- FACE or DEI Committee
- Leadership, Membership, or Programs Committee
- So many other options to fit your skill set and availability

You can learn more about volunteering here:

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Awards

Leadership Service Award



LEADERSHIP SERVICE AWARD

The purpose of this program is to recognize and acknowledge leadership skills attained by PTA leaders throughout all levels of the association. PTA leaders are encouraged to join the Leadership Service Award program and submit their activity annually to create a

record of their leadership in the association.

The program awards leadership points for leadership positions held in both PTA and other educational committees, classes presented, conference attendance, and other WSPTA and National PTA events. The award identifies four leadership levels from bronze to crystal.

The program is free to join. It is a great way to create a record of your leadership development that can be included in your professional résumé, as you gain the skills to become a leader in your community.

Congratulations to this year's awardees!

Crystal

Beenish Iqbal
Jessica Smiddy

Gold

Sara Balsley
Hai Evans
Julee Seibel

Silver

Alisha Crawley-Davis
Elysia Heller
Chhunla McKeever
Heather Morgan
Melissa Richardson
Julee Seibel

Bronze

Liana Crandall
Alisha Crawley-Davis
Kathia Corona
Katie Diaz
Elysia Heller
Kari Jung
Chhunla McKeever
Heather Morgan
Melissa Richardson
Julee Seibel



State-Level Awards

Each year, Washington State PTA may honor individuals or groups for their state-level service and/or advocacy on behalf of children by presenting them with a WSPTA award. Recipients of these awards further the vision and mission of WSPTA through their service and/or advocacy at the state level.

Outstanding Advocate

To Be Announced During Convention

The WSPTA Outstanding Advocate Award was established in 2004 to recognize an individual for his or her statewide advocacy and commitment in helping to create strong policies relating to the health, welfare, safety and education of children and youth. The individual should have furthered WSPTA's policy positions (legislative principles, resolutions, and legislative issues) by activities such as, but not limited to, submitting policy positions, testifying on policy positions on behalf of WSPTA, or representing WSPTA on workgroups or coalitions.

Join us during **General Session 2 on Saturday, May 18**, to find out this year's Outstanding Advocate Award recipient!

Outstanding Service

To Be Announced During Convention

The WSPTA Outstanding Service Award was added in 1962, building on the success of the Golden Acorn Award program. This award recognizes statewide service to children. It is awarded to an individual who has given dedicated and long-term volunteer service that positively impacts every child throughout Washington state while demonstrating the WSPTA core values.

Join us during **General Session 3 on Sunday, May 19**, to find out this year's Outstanding Service Award recipient!

Honorary Life Membership

To Be Announced During Convention

The WSPTA Honorary Life Membership Award recognizes an individual who has contributed significantly to the development, growth, and sustainability of WSPTA at the state level. It is awarded to someone who has shown extraordinary commitment to WSPTA's vision and mission.

Join us during **General Session 3 on Sunday, May 19**, to find out this year's Honorary Life Membership Award recipient!



Building Community

Awards of Excellence



The purpose of the Awards of Excellence program is to celebrate the work local PTAs and councils do to make a difference for their communities. Awards and programs also help build awareness of the WSPTA vision and mission. When local PTAs and councils are recognized for the work they are doing, it builds pride in the community and helps people connect with PTA!

Applying for these awards helps local PTAs and councils benchmark their efforts and become resources for other local PTAs and councils. Thank you to the many local PTAs and councils that submitted applications for this year's Awards of Excellence! The passion and creativity demonstrated in the submissions of our award recipients serves as an inspiration for PTAs across the state.

Congratulations to the following local PTAs and councils on their achievements:

Advocacy Award of Excellence

Gold Level

- 6.15.234 McDonald PTA
- 7.3.37 Mill Creek Elementary PTA

FACE Award of Excellence – Local PTAs

Gold Level

- 2.3.35 Enatai Elementary PTSA
- 2.3.80 Somerset PTSA
- 2.3.145 Tye Middle School PTSA
- 2.8.50 Rose Hill Elementary PTSA
- 2.8.57 Samantha Smith Elementary PTSA
- 7.3.37 Mill Creek Elementary PTA
- 7.3.110 Everett Special Education PTSA

Silver Level

- 2.3.12 International School PTSA
- 2.16.24 Stillwater PTSA
- 8.2.20 Fidalgo Elementary PTA
- 9.11.30 Hazelwood Elementary PTSA

Bronze Level

- 2.6.25 Sunny Hills Elementary School PTA
- 2.18.23 Snoqualmie Elementary PTSA

FACE Award of Excellence – Councils

Gold Level

- 2.16 Riverview PTSA Council

Silver Level

- 2.3 Bellevue PTSA Council
- 9.7 Kent Area Council PTSA

Outstanding Communication Strategy – Local PTAs

Gold Level

- 2.8.45 Peter Kirk Elementary PTSA
- 6.10.9 Ruby Bridges Elementary PTSA
- 7.3.12 Tambark Creek Elementary PTSA

- 7.3.71 Heatherwood Middle School PTA

Silver Level

- 2.3.80 Somerset PTSA
- 2.3.145 Tye Middle School PTSA
- 2.8.55 Carl Sandburg PTSA
- 7.3.37 Mill Creek Elementary PTA

Bronze Level

- 2.8.3 Louisa May Alcott Elementary PTSA
- 2.8.90 Juanita High School PTSA

Outstanding Communication Strategy – Councils

Gold Level

- 6.10 Northshore Council PTSA
- 7.3 Everett PTSA Council

Outstanding Newsletter – Local PTAs

Silver Level

- 2.3.121 International School PTSA
- 2.8.35 Lakeview PTSA
- 7.3.12 Tambark Creek Elementary PTSA
- 7.3.37 Mill Creek Elementary PTA
- 7.3.72 Gateway MS PTSA

Bronze Level

- 2.3.80 Somerset Elementary PTSA
- 2.3.145 Tye Middle School PTSA
- 6.15.55 Broadview Thomson PTA
- 6.15.255 North Beach Elementary PTA
- 7.3.3 Cedar Wood Elementary PTA
- 7.3.71 Heatherwood Middle School PTA PTA

Outstanding Newsletter – Councils

Gold Level

- 7.3 Everett PTSA Council

Silver Level

- 2.8 Lake Washington PTSA Council
- 6.10 Northshore Council PTSA

Outstanding Website – Local PTAs

Silver Level

- 2.3.80 Somerset PTSA
- 2.3.145 Tye Middle School PTSA
- 2.8.45 Peter Kirk Elementary PTSA
- 2.16.24 Stillwater PTSA
- 6.10.9 Ruby Bridges Elementary PTSA
- 6.15.340 Viewlands Elementary PTSA
- 7.3.25 Jefferson PTA
- 7.3.37 Mill Creek PTA
- 7.3.72 Gateway MS PTSA

Bronze Level

- 2.6.25 Sunny Hills Elementary School PTA
- 2.8.3 Louisa May Alcott Elementary PTSA
- 2.8.55 Carl Sandburg PTSA
- 2.8.90 Juanita High School PTSA
- 6.10.68 Timbercrest Middle School PTSA
- 6.10.85 Woodinville High School PTSA
- 6.15.55 Broadview Thomson PTA
- 7.3.12 Tambark Creek Elementary PTSA

Outstanding Website – Councils

Gold Level

- 2.8 Lake Washington PTSA Council

- 6.10 Northshore Council PTSA
- 7.3 Everett PTSA Council

PTAs Taking Significant Action

Gold Level

- 7.3.25 Jefferson PTA
- 7.3.37 Mill Creek Elementary PTA

Silver Level

- 2.3.80 Somerset PTSA

Standards of Excellence – Local PTAs

Gold Level

- 2.6.45 Issaquah High PTSA
- 2.8.50 Rose Hill Elementary
- 2.8.88 Eastlake High School PTSA
- 7.3.37 Mill Creek Elementary PTA

Silver Level

- 2.6.25 Sunny Hills Elementary School PTA

Bronze Level

- 2.3.80 Somerset Elementary PTSA
- 2.8.57 Samantha Smith PTSA
- 2.16.24 Stillwater PTSA
- 7.3.25 Jefferson PTA

Standards of Excellence – Councils

Platinum Level

- 6.10 Northshore Council PTSA
- 7.3 Everett PTSA Council

Outstanding PTA of the Year

The Outstanding PTA of the Year award recognizes those local PTAs and councils that, when compared to all others in their unique circumstances, are the most representative examples of PTAs that exemplify our association's purposes and mission.

This prestigious award will be announced during General Session #3 on Sunday morning!

Membership Awards

Outstanding membership recruiting efforts are recognized on a variety of levels. Help us celebrate the achievements of those local PTAs and councils that are being recognized in the following categories: Membership Growth Awards, 100% Staff Membership Award, and 100% Membership Award.

Membership Growth Awards

Time has shown that local PTAs and councils that work toward membership growth are consistently more successful than those that do not set membership growth goals. All membership growth award winning local PTAs received a digital publicity kit for their efforts. Growth awards can still be earned through the end of June! PTAs are listed with the highest award level earned.

Platinum Membership Growth Award recognizes local PTAs that have at least 120% of their total membership from the prior year. This year we have 174 local PTAs that earned this award.		2.6.34	Cougar Mountain Middle School PTSA	5.9.25	WRHS Hornets PTSA	7.4.43	Cedarcrest Middle PTSA
		2.8.100	Redmond High PTSA	5.9.5	Elk Ridge PTA		
		2.8.3	Louisa May Alcott PTSA	6.10.16	Fernwood PTSA	7.4.45	Marysville Middle School PTSA
		2.8.35	Lakeview PTSA	6.10.22	Kokanee PTA		
		2.8.37	Horace Mann PTA	6.10.67	Northshore Middle PTSA	7.4.47	Totem Middle PTSA
		2.8.46	Redmond PTSA	6.10.85	Woodinville High PTA	7.4.50	Marysville Pilchuck High PTSA
		2.8.52	Ben Rush PTA	6.10.9	Ruby Bridges Elementary PTSA	7.4.8	Kellogg-Marsh PTA
1.2.3	Crownhill PTA	2.8.54	Elizabeth Blackwell PTA	6.12.53	Cascade K-8 PTSA	7.5.12	Odyssey PTA
1.2.35	View Ridge PTA	2.8.57	Samantha Smith PTA	6.12.85	Kellogg Middle PTSA	7.5.22	Lake Stickney PTA
1.3.10	Cottonwood PTSA	2.8.60	H.D. Thoreau PTA	6.12.95	Shorecrest High PTSA	7.5.5	Challenger PTA
1.3.13	Clear Creek PTA	2.8.7	Rachel Carson PTSA	6.15.11	Fairmount Park PTA	7.5.6	Columbia PTA
1.3.18	PineCrest PTA	2.8.83	Renaissance School PTSA	6.15.115	Pathfinder PTSA	7.6.15	Glenwood Elementary PTA
1.3.45	Klahowya Jr/Sr PTSA	3.6.23	Maple Grove PTA	6.15.155	Friends of Hawthorne PTA	7.6.20	Hillcrest PTA
1.4.40	Sequim Elementary PTA	3.6.25	Marrion PTA	6.15.165	Highland Park PTA	7.6.46	Twin City PTA
1.5.20	Port Townsend PTA	3.6.28	Pioneer PTA	6.15.207	Leschi PTA	7.6.7	Stevens Creek PTA
1.7.5	Hilder Pearson PTA	3.6.30	Pleasant Valley PTA	6.15.237	McGilvra PTA	7.6.8	Cougar Creek PTA
1.7.7	Poulsbo Elementary PTSA	3.6.8	Fircrest PTA	6.15.255	North Beach PTA	7.6.95	Sky Valley Ed. Center PTA
1.8.10	Sunnyslope Elementary School PTA	3.7.68	Sacajawea PTA	6.15.285	Orca K-8 PTSA	7.7.43	North Whidbey Middle PTA
1.9.3	Belfair Elementary PTA	4.2.2	Elma PTA	6.15.287	Partners At Lowell School PTA	7.7.5	Broad View PTA
2.16.5	Carnation PTSA	4.4.27	Peter G Schmidt PTA	6.15.315	Sand Point PTA	7.8.2	Granite Falls Special Education PTSA
2.18.10	Timber Ridge Elementary PTSA	4.4.35	Tumwater Hill PTA	6.15.35	Arbor Heights PTSA	8.2.25	Island View PTA
2.18.15	Fall City PTSA	4.5.55	Roosevelt PTA	6.15.378	Denny Middle PTSA	8.2.70	Anacortes High PTSA
2.18.28	Chief Kanim Middle PTSA	5.2.70	North Tapps Middle PTSA	6.15.380	Eckstein Middle PTSA	8.3.110	Squalicum High PTSA
2.18.60	MSHS PTSA	5.3.11	Evergreen PTA	6.15.42	Beacon Hill Int'l School PTA	8.3.25	Carl Cozier PTA
2.3.120	Highland Middle PTSA	5.3.13	Naches Trail PTA	6.15.455	Whitman Middle School PTSA	8.3.37	Wade King PTA
2.3.130	Odle Middle PTSA	5.3.14	Rocky Ridge PTA	6.15.465	Franklin High PTA	8.3.45	Lowell PTA
2.3.150	Interlake High School PTSA	5.3.15	Roy PTSA	6.15.467	Garfield High PTSA	8.3.70	Sunnyland PTA
2.3.155	Newport High PTSA	5.3.17	North Star PTA	6.15.5	Decatur Elementary PTA	9.11.13	Home Program PTA
2.3.170	Bellevue Mandarin Dual Language PTSA	5.3.18	Nelson PTA	6.15.505	Chief Sealth PTSA	9.11.30	Hazelwood PTA
2.3.22	RE Bennett PTA	5.3.22	Katherine G. Johnson Elementary PTA	7.1.23	Kent Prairie PTA	9.11.95	McKnight Middle PTA
2.3.25	Cherry Crest PTA	5.3.4	Centennial PTA	7.1.53	Haller Middle PTSA	9.2.18	Lake View Elementary PTA
2.3.35	Enatai PTA	5.3.5	Clover Creek PTA	7.1.65	Post Middle PTSA	9.4.27	Lakeland PTA
2.3.75	Sherwood Forest PTSA	5.3.50	Weyerhaeuser PTA	7.2.123	Brier Terrace Middle PTSA	9.5.180	Cascade Middle PTSA
2.3.80	Somerset PTSA	5.5.10	Central Avenue PTA	7.3.25	Jefferson PTA	9.5.45	Des Moines PTSA
2.3.90	Stevenson PTA	5.7.2	Brouillet PTA	7.3.42	Penny Creek Elementary PTA	9.5.55	Hazel Valley PTA
2.3.95	Sunset/Puesta Del Sol PTA	5.7.20	Karshner PTA	7.3.5	Emerson PTA	9.7.118	Kentridge High PTSA
2.6.12	Cedar Trails Elementary PTSA	5.7.60	Sunrise PTA	7.3.55	Whittier PTA	9.7.120	Kentwood Community PTSA
		5.7.70	Wildwood Park PTA	7.3.73	North Middle PTA	9.7.29	Emerald Park Elementary PTSA
		5.7.92	Ferrucci Jr PTSA				
		5.9.10	Foothills PTA				
		5.9.23	Wilkeson Elementary PTA				

9.735 Neely OBrien PTA
 9.745 Park Orchard PTSA
 9.755 Ridgewood PTA
 9.778 Sunrise PTA
 9.779 Cedar Heights Middle PTSA
 9.783 Mattson PTSA
 9.793 Northwood Middle PTSA
 10.10.5 Chambers PTA
 10.11.90 Kopachuck Middle PTSA
 10.4.25 Dower Elementary PTA
 10.4.55 Lake Louise PTSA
 10.4.75 Park Lodge PTSA
 10.8.10 Saltar's Point PTSA
 10.8.15 Pioneer Middle PTA
 10.9.195 Sheridan PTA
 10.9.57 Crescent Heights PTA
 10.9.60 DeLong PTA
 10.9.90 Geiger PTSA
 11.1.5 Ahtanum Valley PTA
 11.5.30 Sunnyslope PTSA
 11.5.35 Washington PTSA
 12.2.26 Lutacaga PTA
 12.5.5 Jefferson PTA
 12.8.20 Riverbend PTSA
 12.8.40 Progress PTA
 12.9.10 Franklin PTA
 12.9.5 Kamiak Elementary PTA

Gold Membership Growth Award recognizes local PTAs that have at least 110% of their total membership from the prior year. This year we have **58** local PTAs that earned this award.

2.8.15 Ben Franklin PTA
 2.8.25 Juanita Elementary PTA
 2.8.55 Carl Sandburg PTA
 2.8.77 Kirkland Middle PTSA
 2.8.85 Rose Hill Middle PTSA
 2.9.25 Northwood Elementary PTA
 3.6.40 Captain Strong Primary PTA
 3.6.55 Woodland Combined PTSA
 3.7.55 George C. Marshall PTA
 4.4.3 Evergreen Forest PTSA
 4.5.80 Reeves Middle PTA
 5.3.25 Spanaway PTA

5.7.10 Fruitland PTA
 5.7.50 Spinning PTA
 5.7.79 Edward Zeiger PTA
 5.9.22 Carbonado Historical School PTA
 6.10.15 Crystal Springs PTA
 6.10.5 Arrowhead PTA
 6.10.50 Woodin PTA
 6.12.15 Brookside PTA
 6.12.75 Einstein Middle PTSA
 6.15.130 Graham Hill PTA
 6.15.234 McDonald PTA
 6.15.24 Hazel Wolf K-8 PTSA
 6.15.275 Olympic Hills PTA
 6.15.435 Mercer Middle PTSA
 7.1.2 Arlington Presidents Elementary PTA
 7.1.5 Eagle Creek PTA
 7.3.12 Tambark Creek PTSA
 7.3.37 Mill Creek PTA
 7.5.11 Horizon PTA
 7.5.20 Serene Lake Elementary PTA
 7.5.8 Endeavour PTA
 7.6.12 Elger Bay PTA
 7.6.14 Fryelands PTA
 7.6.32 Little Cedars PTA
 7.6.38 Salem Woods Elementary PTA
 8.3.90 Whatcom Middle PTSA
 8.4.37 Kendall PTA
 8.4.40 Meridian PTA
 9.11.100 Nelsen Middle PTSA
 9.11.60 Maplewood Heights PTA
 9.11.83 Meadow Crest PTA
 9.11.85 Tiffany Park PTA
 9.14.40 The Middle Schools of Tahoma PTA
 9.2.5 Alpac Elementary PTA
 9.4.85 Woodmont PTA
 9.5.127 North Hill PTSA
 9.5.142 Seahurst PTA
 9.5.170 White Center Heights PTA
 9.5.90 Marvista PTSA
 9.7.25 Lake Youngs PTSA
 10.9.275 Meeker Middle PTSA
 12.2.3 Benton-Franklin Counties Special Education PTA
 12.4.150 Westview PTA
 12.5.28 Chief Joseph Middle PTA
 12.6.40 Sharpstein PTA
 12.9.15 Jefferson PTA

Silver Membership Growth Award recognizes local PTAs that have at least 105% of their total membership from the prior year. This year we have **40** local PTAs that earned this award.

1.3.14 Cougar Valley PTA
 2.8.66 Laura Ingalls Wilder PTSA
 2.8.80 Redmond Middle PTSA
 3.6.52 York PTA
 3.7.15 Ben Franklin PTA
 4.4.29 Seven Oaks PTA
 5.2.35 Orting Combined PTA
 5.3.3 Camas Prairie PTA
 5.3.9 Graham Elementary PTA
 5.7.55 J.P. Stewart PTA
 5.8.25 Eismann Elementary PTA
 6.10.43 Wellington PTA
 6.10.80 North Creek High School PTSA
 6.12.45 Meridian Park Family Association PTA
 6.12.55 Parkwood PTA
 6.15.185 Lafayette Elementary PTA
 6.15.280 Olympic View PTA
 6.15.370 Whittier PTA
 6.15.425 Madison Middle PTSA
 6.15.65 Rainier View PTSA
 6.15.70 FH Coe PTA
 7.2.25 Chase Lake PTA
 7.2.80 Martha Lake PTA
 7.4.5 Cascade PTA
 7.4.55 Legacy High School PTSA
 7.6.58 Lake Stevens Middle PTSA
 8.2.20 Fidalgo PTA
 8.4.15 Fisher PTA
 9.14.17 Tukwila PTA
 9.2.15 Evergreen Heights PTA
 9.2.20 Lea Hill PTSA
 9.4.10 Brigadoon PTA
 9.5.110 Mount View Elementary PTA
 9.5.130 Parkside PTA
 9.5.30 Cedarhurst PTA
 9.5.50 Gregory Heights PTSA
 9.7.30 Meridian PTSA
 10.11.40 Vaughn PTA
 10.9.135 Mann PTA
 12.7.9 Harrington PTA

Bronze Membership Growth Award recognizes local PTAs that have added at least 1 member more than their final membership for the prior year. This year we have **35** local PTAs that earned this award.

1.3.50 Central Kitsap High PTSA
 1.7.25 North Kitsap High PTSA
 1.8.8 Mullenix Ridge PTA
 2.6.45 Issaquah High PTSA
 2.6.8 Cougar Ridge PTSA
 2.8.43 Rosa Parks PTA
 2.8.5 Audubon PTSA
 2.8.70 Finn Hill Middle PTSA
 2.8.73 Inglewood MS PTSA
 4.4.23 Olympic View PTA
 5.3.10 Elk Plain PTA
 6.10.14 East Ridge PTA
 6.10.35 Moorlands PTA
 6.12.20 Echo Lake PTA
 6.12.25 Highland Terrace PTA
 6.15.124 Jane Addams Middle PTSA
 6.15.327 Stevens PTA
 6.15.510 West Seattle High PTSA
 6.15.55 Broadview/Thomson PK8 PTA
 7.2.50 Hazelwood PTA
 7.5.10 Fairmount PTSA
 9.14.13 Shadow Lake PTA
 9.14.7 Lake Wilderness PTSA
 9.4.25 Lake Grove PTA
 9.4.29 Meredith Hill PTA
 9.4.35 Nautilus PTA
 9.7.100 Kentlake Community PTSA
 9.7.57 Sawyer Woods PTA
 9.7.72 Martin Sortun PTA
 9.7.90 Meridian Middle PTA
 10.4.45 Idlewild Elementary PTA
 10.9.150 Northeast Tacoma PTA
 10.9.217 Stanley PTA
 10.9.65 Mont Downing PTA
 12.8.10 Adams PTSA

100% Staff Membership Award

This year, the 100% Staff Membership Award has two levels – Gold and Platinum!

Platinum Level recognizes local PTAs that have enrolled the same number of total full-time staff (both certificated and classified staff) in their school building. This year we had **33** local PTAs that earned this award.

- 2.16.10 Cherry Valley PTA
- 2.16.25 Tolt PTSA
- 2.16.35 Cedarcrest High PTSA
- 2.3.80 Somerset PTSA
- 2.6.15 Maple Hills Elementary PTA
- 2.8.45 Peter Kirk Elementary PTSA
- 2.8.83 Renaissance School of Arts & Reasoning PTSA
- 5.3.18 Nelson PTA

Gold Level recognizes local PTAs that have enrolled the same number of staff as the number of certificated staff in their school building. This year we had **33** local PTAs that earned this award.

- 1.3.14 Cougar Valley PTA
- 2.16.24 Stillwater Elementary PTSA
- 2.18.7 Cascade View PTSA
- 2.6.3 Apollo Elementary PTA
- 2.6.12 Cedar Trails Elementary PTSA
- 2.6.40 Maywood PTSA
- 2.6.45 Issaquah High PTSA
- 2.6.7 Clark Elementary PTA
- 2.8.46 Redmond Elementary PTSA
- 2.8.54 Elizabeth Blackwell Elementary PTA
- 3.6.52 York Elementary PTA
- 5.3.10 Elk Plain School of Choice PTA
- 5.3.22 Katherine G Johnson PTA

- 5.3.4 Centennial Elementary PTA
- 5.3.7 Frederickson Elementary PTA
- 5.7.10 Fruitland Elementary PTA
- 5.7.3 Carson PTA
- 5.7.40 Northwood Elementary PTA
- 5.7.42 Pope Elementary PTA
- 5.7.5 Firgrove Elementary PTA
- 6.10.90 Innovation Lab High School PTSA
- 7.3.12 Tambark Creek PTA
- 7.3.15 Hawthorne PTA
- 7.3.20 Jackson Elementary School PTA
- 7.3.25 Jefferson PTA
- 7.3.37 Mill Creek Elementary PTA
- 7.3.42 Penny Creek Elementary PTA
- 7.3.72 Gateway Middle School PTSA
- 7.3.95 Henry M. Jackson PTA
- 7.6.42 Sunnycrest Elementary PTA

- 9.4.27 Lakeland PTA
- 9.7.57 Sawyer Woods PTA
- 10.9.275 Jerry Meeker PTSA

100% Membership Award

The 100% PTA Membership Award is presented to local PTAs that enroll at least as many members as there are full-time enrolled students at the school associated with that PTA. This is the ultimate achievement for a PTA! This year we had **5** local PTAs that earned this award.

- 2.6.18 Newcastle Elementary PTSA
- 2.3.80 Somerset PTSA
- 2.6.15 Maple Hills Elementary PTA
- 2.8.45 Peter Kirk Elementary PTSA
- 2.8.54 Elizabeth Blackwell PTA



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2024 Outstanding State PTA Advocacy Award



Each year, National PTA awards one state PTA the Outstanding State PTA Advocacy Award. This state PTA, through their dedication, leadership and efforts, positively affected legislative and/or regulatory policy aligned with National PTA's current public policy platform, such as family engagement, school safety, welcoming/inclusive schools, and digital safety.

We are proud to announce that Washington State PTA was recognized with this prestigious award for our gun violence prevention work!

Supporting National PTA's legislative priority to "enhance school and community safety and prioritize the protection of children and youth," Washington State PTA has been focused on gun violence and suicide prevention since 2018. In the past six legislative sessions we have helped to significantly move the needle on sensible solutions to gun violence and suicide, including promoting the safe and secure storage of medication and firearms, a 10-day waiting period, banning assault weapons, limits on high capacity magazines, increased



funding for the Office of Firearms and Safety, funding for the Attorney General's Office for firearm industry regulation, increasing the minimum allocation for nurses, counselors, psychologists, and social workers, and the establishment of the Statewide 988 Behavioral Health Crisis Response Line.

While much progress has been made, Washington State PTA intends to continue advocating for additional laws and regulations to protect all children and youth from the devastation of gun violence and suicide.

Accepting the award on behalf of Washington State PTA at National PTA Legcon were Angela Steck, WSPTA President, and Dr. Gwen Loosmore, longtime member of the WSPTA Advocacy Committee and gun violence prevention advocate.

To learn more see our new [Preventing Gun Violence as PTA Advocates](#) resource document.



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Why Does Your Voice Matter?

The more members WSPTA has – the louder our collective voice and the more often we are given a seat at the table for important discussions. Whether your children are in preschool or high school, wherever you live in the state, WSPTA is advocating for the health, safety and education of ALL children and youth. Recent WSPTA advocacy successes have included laws, frameworks, and funding for:

- Increasing staffing to support students' physical and mental health
- Funding stabilization and increased funding for special education services
- Social Emotional Learning
- Gun violence and youth suicide prevention
- Comprehensive school safety
- Paraeducator training
- Universal screening for highly capable services
- Mitigating adverse effects of climate change
- Expansion of early childhood education
- Increasing access and affordability of post-secondary education

Action Alerts

Want a fast and easy way to help WSPTA advocate for children and youth? Sign up for WSPTA Action Alerts! During the Washington state legislative session, WSPTA will send action alerts to members who have signed up to help. These action alerts take only a couple of minutes and have a message you can easily customize before the system sends the emails to your legislators. It couldn't get any easier!



Subscribe here: wastatepta.org/focus-areas/advocacy/action-alerts/

Issue, Resolution, and Legislative Principle Submissions for Legislative Assembly

What should WSPTA be advocating for? Submissions are now open for consideration for the Legislative Assembly in October.

Any member is encouraged to submit an issue, resolution, or legislative principle that addresses concerns that affect children on a state-wide level. As a grassroots association, we rely on our members to provide the priorities we will advocate for at the state level and within our communities.

For submitting, visit the new Submissions Page on the WSPTA website:

wastatepta.org/focus-areas/advocacy/submissions/

We Give Where We Live.

We're proud to support our local communities.

No one knows a community better than the people who live and work there. That's why we empower employees at our local offices to determine the best ways to use resources and funds to meet the unique needs of their communities. It's all about making a difference where it counts most.

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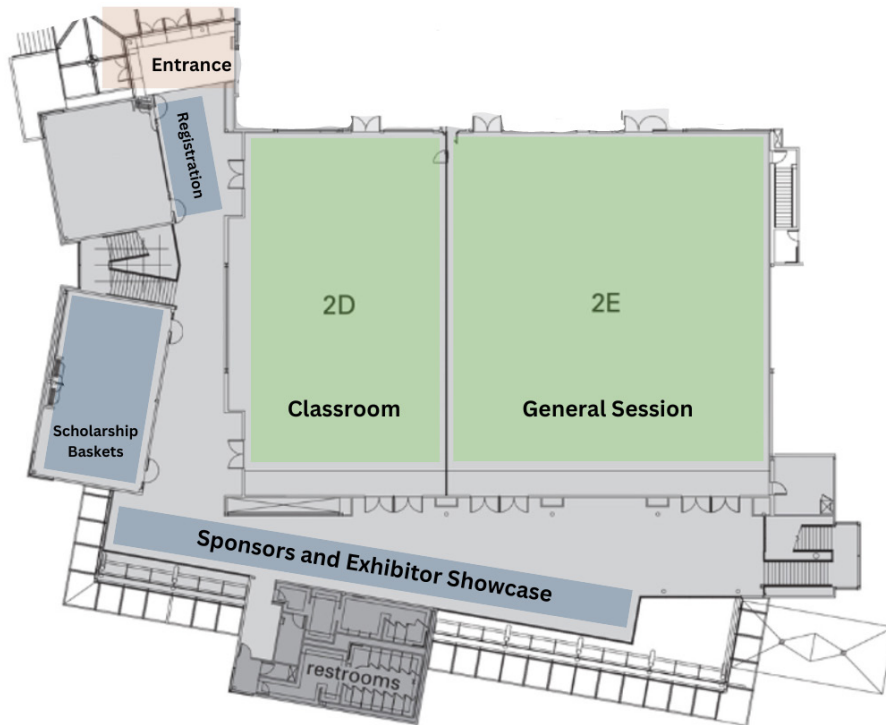
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