

Council Clippings

Monthly Newsletter of
St. Joseph PTA Council

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Greetings PTA Friends!

School is almost over for the year! I don't know where the year has gone. For me personally, I will soon have a 7th grader and a Freshman in high school. We will be leaving the safety and family of our Elementary School, and I'm not sure I am ready for it; however both of my girls seem fine with the change. I have friends who have children graduating from High School, and I know our Elementary School just hosted our incoming Kindergarten class. Everyone seems to be facing some type of change or transition. Change can be scary, but it can also be exciting.

With these changes and transitions comes the change in how you volunteer. The time you devote, locations you volunteer at, and maybe even who you volunteer with might look differently because of where your favorite student is attending. With all of that said, what is important is that you still volunteer in whatever capacity works for your family – in fact, please still volunteer! You might find a group of friends to do something exciting with!

I would like to extend a sincere thank you for volunteering with your Units, the Council, and for our students. Please remember to review the list of reminders in the April Clippings. Look back at my article as I tried to summarize what your Unit needs to do before school lets out.

To all of you who 'hung out' with me at our monthly PTA Council Meetings – thank you for taking time out of your evenings to spend time with me and the rest of our PTA Friends!

Nici Hayes
PTA Council President

*...because every picture
tells a story...*

St. Joseph PTA Council PTA University

Monday, May 1st
TMC, 3401 Renick
5:00-8:00 pm

- 5:00-5:30 Fundraiser Vendor Fair
- 5:30-6:15 Eat and Meet
- 6:15-7:00 President & Treasurer workshops
- 7:15-8:00 Secretary & Membership workshops

Please RSVP to Joyce Brewka; sjptacouncil@gmail.com to ensure we have plenty of food! Texas Roadhouse is catering! Menu will feature pulled pork, mashed potatoes with cream and brown gravy, salad, green beans and fresh bread.

To be entered into the **drawing for \$500.00** you must have all incoming and all outgoing officers attend PTA University, you must provide written 2017-2018 contact information for your officers and a confirmation from MOPTA that they have received your 2017-2018 submission of officers.

What a great training opportunity for your officers. We hope to see you there.

smile **OFTEN**

think **POSITIVELY**

give **THANKS**

laugh **LOUDLY**

love **OTHERS**

dream **BIG**





WIN WITH PTA
2017 CONVENTION & EXPO
 JUNE 22-25, 2017 | LAS VEGAS, NV



FEATURED SPEAKER
 Paula Kerger
 PRESIDENT & CEO, PBS



FEATURED SPEAKER
 Rosalind Wiseman
 EDUCATOR, PARENT EXPERT
 & SOCIAL ACTIVIST



FEATURED SPEAKER
 Steve Pemberton
 SENIOR EXECUTIVE AT WALGREENS
 BOOTS ALLIANCE & AUTHOR

What Can You Do as a PTA Advocate to Ensure Public Funds Go to Public Schools?

1. **Join** the PTA Takes Action Network to get alerts on federal school voucher bills and other pieces of legislation important to students and families.
2. **Sign Up** for the monthly PTA Takes Action E-Newsletter to receive updates on National PTA's advocacy efforts and critical information on policy issues affecting families, children, education, schools and communities.
3. **Donate** to support PTA's advocacy work on behalf of public schools and make a difference in the education, health and welfare of all children and youth.

For more information visit National PTA; www.pta.org

Congratulations to all of our graduating seniors!



Council Clippings Article Assignments for September *Articles are due August 15, 2017*

<input type="checkbox"/> <u>President report</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Character & Spiritual Leader</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Treasurer</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Membership</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Clarence Carpenter Board annual report</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Regional Director Report</u>

All articles must be emailed to Lori Prussman at aokmom@hotmail.com, subject: CLIPPING ARTICLE. Thank you for getting your articles to me in a timely manner.

Unit in Good Standing...

To be a unit in good standing with the State PTA you must...

- Submit your financial review by Dec. 1
- Submit your annual report by Dec. 1
- Submit your IRS tax confirmation by Dec. 1
- Submit membership monthly
- Bylaws must be current (no need to submit a copy if current)
- **New Officers list must be submitted by March 31st each year**

Treasurer check list....

- Get 2017-2018 Budget approved
- Pay all end of year bills & close out books
- Prepare for financial review
- Once financial review is done; complete Financial Review form and the Annual Report form; copies must be sent to State PTA and PTA Council
- File IRS form (990N or other); confirmation must be sent to State PTA and PTA Council
- Make sure procedure book is updated
- Turn books in asap to the president so they can give them to the new treasurer
- Change signatures on checking account (have three signatures on signature card and always two signatures on checks)

End of the Year Check List

- ✓ Meet with your principal and schedule your event calendar; meeting dates, picture day, fundraiser, etc.
- ✓ New executive board will need to appoint chairman for committees.
- ✓ Collect and update procedure books or start new ones. These hold valuable information to help your unit run smoothly.
- ✓ Check your bylaws; when is your expiration date? Do you need to work on this over the summer? Do you need to set a committee to update before school starts in the fall? Bylaws must be up to date so that you will remain in good standings with the State and Council.
- ✓ Send officers to National Convention.
- ✓ Have a summer planning session, so you can have a jump on next year. Ask Council or State officers to assist with any questions you may have.

Submitted by Lori Prussman



Volunteers needed...

The St. Joseph PTA Council nominating committee is still working on putting together the committee chairmanships for next school year. In this issue you will find a Talent Finder form that we are asking you to fill out if you are interested in becoming a part of the St. Joseph PTA Council team. The committee will be meeting again soon to fill the committee positions.

Your help is greatly appreciated!

Please email to **Tammi Gumm; gummi_bears@att.net** or **Lori Prussman; aokmom@hotmail.com**



Please go online and submit your officers for 2017-2018

www.mopta.org

or use this link

<https://mopta.org/home/missouri-pta-2017-2018-officers-form/>

Thank you!

JR Achievement program Seeking volunteers...

There are several schools that volunteers are needed...

- Ellison
- Field
- Hyde
- Hosea
- Parkway

Please contact **Kathy Yost at 816-465-0373**



2017/2018 PTA/PTSA Officers List

Send completed form to St. Joseph PTA Council, PO Box 1162, 64502

This list will be used for St. Joseph PTA Council mailings.

Do not use school address for President mailing address.

Deadline April 15, 2017

School Name: _____

President's Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

1st Vice's Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

2nd Vice's Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

Secretary's Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

Treasurer's Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

Please continue to the back of this page for additional information needed.

School Name: _____

Membership Chair Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

Reflections Chair Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

**Please feel free to add additional officer's names, positions, addresses,
phone numbers and email addresses below.**

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

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St. Joseph PTA Council Talent Finder

The St. Joseph PTA Council nominating committee is in the process of developing the slate of officers and chairs for the 2017-2018 school year. We are looking for volunteers willing to step into leadership roles.

Are you interested in volunteering? Please fill out the following form and **return by April 15th** to the Tammi Gumm; gummi_bears@att.net or Lori Prussman; aokmom@hotmail.com.

VI - Very Interested I – Interested

Officers:

___ President	___ 1st Vice President
___ 2nd Vice President	___ 3rd Vice President
___ 4th Vice President	___ Secretary
___ Treasurer	___ Sergeant-At-Arms

Chairs:

___ Reflections	___ Reflections Ceremony
___ Spelling Bee	___ Founders Day
___ Membership	___ Salute the Schools
___ PTA University	___ Ways and Means
___ Bylaws	___ Clippings (Editor)
___ Legislation	___ Awards
___ Special Events	___ Early Childhood
___ Health/Wellness & Safety	___ Family/Community Engagement
___ Special Education	

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone #: _____ Unit: _____

Previous volunteer experience: _____

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