

Council Clippings

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St. Joseph PTA Council

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Founders Day Dinner
Thursday, February 6th
Oak Grove Elementary School

Registration 5:30
Program 6:00

We need your help! We need help setting up for Founders Day on Thursday, February 6th. Set up will begin at noon. There is a lot of work to be done and not many people have volunteered to help. Any amount of time is greatly appreciated!!

Please email Lori and let her know if you can help; aokmom@hotmail.com or text 816-262-2664.

Thank you in advance :)

Unmet Needs Grant deadline is March 15. Grant application is included in this issue.



We spend January 1st walking through our lives, room by room, drawing up a list of work to be done, cracks to be patched. Maybe this year, to balance the list, we ought to walk through the rooms of our lives ... not looking for flaws but for potential.
Elle Goodman

Submitted by Angela Gastineau

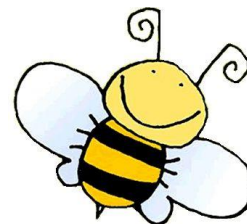
Council Clippings Article Assignments for March 2020

Articles are due February 15, 2020

<input type="checkbox"/> Presidents Report	<input type="checkbox"/> Character & Spiritual
<input type="checkbox"/> Unit in good standing	<input type="checkbox"/> Founders Day
<input type="checkbox"/> Special Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Early Childhood

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.

Spelling Bee is Saturday, February 15th at Truman Middle School.
Registrations begins at 12:30



Visit our website at www.stjoepta.org

And like us on Facebook!

Happy schooling everyone,

I hope that this second semester has started out great. It's hard to get back into a routine but it's so very important. Children love routines and routines help them become successful. Bedtimes are very important and bedtime routines. Make sure your child is getting enough sleep so that they are ready to have a successful day at school. Give them some positive praise before they go to bed. This is the last thing that will be on their mind before they fall to sleep. It's important to let them know how important they are.

Morning routines are important too. We are all rushed now a days because we have lots of things to do and it seems like a little time to do them all in. It's important to build a good morning routine. Give yourself plenty of time to get up your kiddo up and get ready for school. Send them off to school on a positive note. When they start the day on a positive note then that helps to set the day for them.

Remember if you have questions, concerns or joys contact your school and/or your teacher. We are all here as a team to help your child succeed.

February Awareness:
American Heart Month
Low Vision Awareness Month
Black History Month

February 1st Go red for women day (American Heart Association)
February 4th World Cancer Day
February 7-14 Congenital Heart Disease
February 27th Anosmia Awareness Day
February 28th Rare Disease Day

Thanks for everything,

Anita Combs
Special Education Teacher & Council Chair

Preschool Spring screening dates
February 27, 28, 29
March 2, 3, 4
8:30-4:00
Location to be determined
Contact Parents as Teachers
for more details



Let your voice be heard!

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

Reports are now past due! If you have not submitted them to State PTA and Council, please do so as soon as possible!

- **Updated report included in this issue.**



Just a friendly reminder that March is election month for new officers for 2020-2021! Results from your March election deadline is March 31st. Submit to MOPTA and St. Joseph PTA Council to be in good standing.



2019-2020 Unit in Good Standing

Unit	Current bylaws	Membership	Fin. Review/audit	Year end report	IRS filing	Current officers	In good standing
Carden Park	Current__2/12/21	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Coleman	Current__11/1/21	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Edison	Current__4/19/22	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ellison	Current__7/19/22	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Field	Current__11/1/21	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hosea	Current__9/19/20	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hyde	Current__11/6/21	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lindbergh	Current__2/23/21	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mark Twain	Current__1/3/20	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Oak Grove	Current__8/14/21	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Parkway	Current__1/13/21	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pershing	Current__10/4/20	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pickett	Current__6/5/22	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Skaith	Current__6/28/21	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bode	Current__1/23/2022	Yes				Yes	
Robidoux	Current__5/10/21	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Spring Garden	Expired					No	
Truman	Current__12/15/19					Yes	
Benton	Current__12/4/21	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Central	Current__2/23/21	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lafayette	Current__12/17/21	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
PTA Council	Current__1/10/20	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Updated 9/24/19 10/17/19 11/4/19 11/29/19	12/30/19 2/1/20						



2019-2020 Membership Report



St. Joseph Council									
PTAName	Individual	Business	Individual	Business	Individual	Business	Individual	Business	
	2016-17		2017-18		2018-19		2019-2020		
Benton High School PTSA	16	0	0	0	0	0	51	0	
Bessie Ellison PTA	205	1	131	0	144	0	128	0	
Bode Middle School PTSA	4	0	362	10	285	7	330	9	
Carden Park PTA	354	0	329	0	223	1	127	3	
Central High School PTSA (St. Joseph)	392	11	394	18	400	5	214	9	
Coleman Elementary PTA	118	0	158	6	80	0	71	0	
Edison Elementary PTA	182	3	249	0	96	0	318	1	
Eugene Field Elementary PTA	161	5	229	1	195	4	130	3	
F. L. Skaith Elementary PTA	225	6	194	6	212	11	206	4	
Harry S. Truman Middle School PTSA	376	0	349	0	154	0	83	0	
Hosea Elementary PTA	64	0	133	12	151	0	78	1	
Humboldt PTA	105	0	41	0	Closed	Closed	0	0	
Hyde Elementary PTA	127	0	122	0	112	0	73	0	
John J. Pershing Elementary PTA	105	2	84	0	89	4	86	1	
Lafayette High School PTSA	175	4	179	5	168	0	154	5	
Lake Contrary Elementary PTA	147	0	56	0	Closed	Closed	0	0	
Lindbergh Accelerated Elementary School P	122	1	116	0	98	0	90	0	
Mark Twain Elementary PTA	122	0	189	0	164	1	139	3	
Oak Grove Elementary PTA	464	17	280	17	293	8	276	9	
Parkway PTA	135	0	88	0	84	0	83	0	
Pickett Elementary School PTA	185	0	157	0	158	0	209	1	
Robidoux Middle School PTSA	199	0	163	0	0	0	54	0	
Webster PTSA	26	0	Dissolved	Dissolved	0	0	0	0	
Total	4009	50	4003	75	3106	41	2900	49	
									updated 9/4/19
									10/17/2019
									11/4/2019
									11/29/2019
									12/30/2019
									2/1/2020



As we prepare for Founders Day dinner thought we would share a bit about our history.....

Our Roots...

National PTA

The organization now known as the National PTA was founded on February 17, 1897 in Washington, DC as the National Congress of Mothers. Fathers and teachers joined in increasing numbers, so the name was changed in 1925 to National Congress of Parents and Teachers. Alice McClellan Birney and Phoebe Apperson Hearst are recognized as the co-founders of the National PTA.

Because of the mandated dual school system that existed in nineteen Southern states and the District of Columbia, the National Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers was organized in 1926 in Atlanta, Georgia, with Selena Sloan Butler as founder. The National PTA helped set up the organization and worked closely with the group, whose objects and child welfare goals were the same.

The National Congress of Parents and Teachers and the National Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers were united on June 11, 1970. The unified organization, continuing as the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, serves ALL children. The archives of the National Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers have been given an honored place alongside and as a part of the corresponding records of the founding organization.

Membership has been and will continue to be open to any and all those who subscribe to its stated Objects and Basic Policies.

At national, state, and local levels, the PTA has acquired an impressive record of accomplishments for the well-being of children and youth. Among other things, it has helped to secure child health services, child labor laws, school attendance laws, juvenile courts, public kindergarten, school lunch programs, funds for vocational education, school libraries, and juvenile delinquency research and control. Not resting on past accomplishments, the PTA continues as the largest child advocacy organization in the United States, and its sole agenda is the welfare of all children and youth.

Missouri PTA

During the 16th annual convention of the National Congress of Mothers held in St. Louis, Missouri, thanks to the efforts of Mary Harmon Weeks and Mrs. Frank DeGarmo, Missouri (then 500 members strong) was organized into a state branch on March 25, 1912, with Mrs. James Nugent as its first state president.

In 1928, two years aft the founding of its national counter part, the Missouri Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers was organized, with Mrs. Henly Cox as its first president. During the term of Irma Detjen as State president and with Walter Rusan as president of the Missouri Colored Congress, Missouri became the first state PTA to invite its counterpart to join in membership. In April 1955 the two organizations became one united Missouri PTA.

St. Joseph PTA Council Unmet Needs Grant

The Council is happy to continue providing the Unmet Needs Grants. These funds will allow the Council to help supplement needs your Unit or students have that you can't quite pay for alone. The budgeted amount for 2019-2020 is \$3,050.00.

- Submit this form to the Council explaining what your needs are.
- Explain how this funding will benefit your Unit/students.
- Explain how you have exhausted other funding opportunities.
- Your unit can request any money amount needed, however the Council may not fund your entire request.
- The Council's Executive Board will review each request, and determine if the request will be granted and/or how much money will be funded to the requestor.
- The Council's Executive Board will inform the requestor of the Board's decision.
- The Council's Executive Board will award recipients until the funds have been depleted.
- Email requests to sjptacouncil@gmail.com.
- **Deadline is March 15th.**

You may be asked to write an article for one of our publications explaining how the funding was a benefit to your Unit/students.

Thank you for your continued support of the St. Joseph PTA Council.

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Deadline is March 15th.

School name: _____

Contact person: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Signature of PTA/PTSA President _____

Signature of Principal _____

I. Please describe what the requested funds will be used for.

II. Please describe how this request will benefit your unit/school.

III. What other funding sources have you applied for?

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