

Council Clippings

Monthly Newsletter of
St. Joseph PTA Council

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President's Corner



Hello Everyone! Hope all is well! Thanks for attending the last council meeting. I hope you can join us at our next one on Thursday, October 13th at 7 pm at the TMC building. I have been trained on how to work the technology now so we should be able to hear better if you decide to log on to zoom. Thank you to Dr. Gabe Edgar for speaking at the last meeting. He thanked everyone for volunteering with PTA and that they will be working closely with us. They will try to have someone at each council meeting from the administration. I am excited about this year! Also, we sent out nomination forms for the youth alliance as well as state convention registration info. Make sure to check both of them out. Let us know if you did not get those emails and if you have any questions at all. Have a great month everyone!!

Jennifer Kerns
St. Joseph PTA Council President

Reflections

Registration is going on NOW for the state reflections program. Entries must be submitted by December 15th. For more information visit Mopta.org

“Act as if what you do makes a difference, it does!” – William James

Submitted by Erin Lotspeich



Council Clippings Article Assignments for November 2022 Articles are due October 15, 2022

<input type="checkbox"/> Presidents Report	<input type="checkbox"/> Character & Spiritual
<input type="checkbox"/> Reflections	<input type="checkbox"/> Family/Community Involvement
<input type="checkbox"/> Special Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Early Childhood

All articles must be emailed to Christy Horner at christyhorner.ch@gmail.com, subject: CLIPPING ARTICLE. Thank you for getting your articles to me in a timely manner.

I hope the school year has started out great. By now you should have a good routine going. Routine and structure are so important for a child to be successful at school.

Find a quiet spot for your child to read each night and do any homework.
Get outside or do something as a family. (Plan a family game night or play outside)
Set a bedtime routine.
Wake up on time.
Eat a good breakfast (at home or at school)
Send your student off for the day with a positive encouraging word.
Talk to your child about their day. Ask them questions. Stay involved.

Parent Teacher conferences will be coming up. This is a great time to sit down with the teacher and talk about all the great things that are going on. Parent Teacher conferences are not the only time that you can talk to teachers. Remember to stay connected with your school. Share those concerns, questions, and joys.

October Awareness Month:

ADHD Awareness Month
Down Syndrome Awareness Month
Dyslexia Awareness Month
Rett Syndrome Awareness Month
Spina Bifida Awareness Month

October Awareness Days:

Oct. 5 World Day of Bullying Prevention
Oct 6 World Cerebral Palsy Awareness Day
Oct. 10 World Mental Health Day

Thanks for all you do every day. It's greatly appreciated.
Anita Combs
Special Education Teacher

Attention treasurers

It is time to fill out your year-end reports...

- Financial review/audit
- End of year report/annual review
- File your 990N

Find all the reports and link to IRS on our website

www.stjoepta.org

Don't forget that you must present your audit to your General assembly and it must be approved by membership.

Email copies to PTA Council, sjptacouncil@gmail.com **and** to the State PTA, office1@mopta.org to remain in good standings!! Remember to scan each report separately and attached individually so that each report can easily be identified and thus recorded.

Membership cards for Council president and SJSD Superintendent.

We sent each unit a check for these two memberships after the last PTA Council meeting using school mail in a packet with other information. Please send the two membership cards along with the form for memberships to Amber Albano c/o Central High School using school mail.

Please deposit these checks as soon as possible.

Don't forget that October is Principal Appreciation Month!



St. Joseph PTA Council \$400 Grant Deadline is November 1st!

Don't miss out on an opportunity to fund a special project this school year!
See the grant application in this issue and it is also available online at www.stjoepta.org!

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

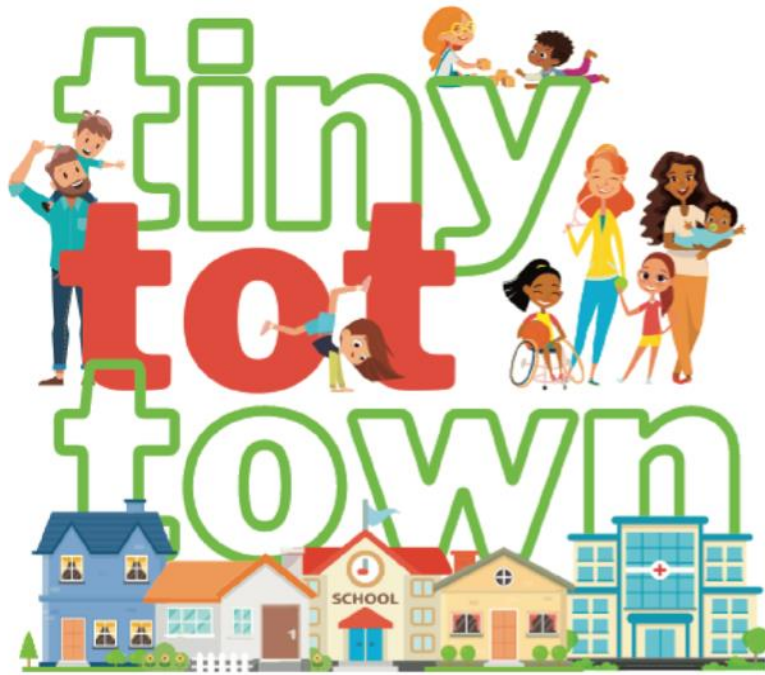


Membership Dues reporting

Don't forget to **submit membership dues monthly** to State PTA. PTA Council will use those State numbers to keep track of membership for your unit and update monthly.

[Membership-Dues-2020-2021-fillable1.pdf](http://www.stjoepta.org/MemberShip-Dues-2020-2021-fillable1.pdf) (securerervercdn.net)

We will be using these numbers to determine membership incentives winners.



OCTOBER 11
5:30 to 7:00 pm

CIVIC ARENA
100 N 4th Street
St. Joseph, MO

Tiny Tot Town is an interactive, simulated community designed to introduce children to life in our town. As children stroll the streets, they meet and play with store owners, community heroes, bankers, librarians, doctors and many more professionals in our community. Through their play, they will gain confidence in their understanding of their town and their importance in it. The annual community event is free and takes place in October. Tiny Tot Town is designed for infants through age 5! Hosted by Parents as Teachers.

Games – Snacks – Vendors – and more
FREE ADMISSION



home state health.



Healthy Blue



St. Joseph PTA Council Membership Incentives 2022-2023

- ❖ **Monthly drawings** for \$100.00 for Units who attend the monthly meetings. Every person's name attending will go into a drawing at the conclusion of each meeting a person's name will be drawn, they will win \$100.00 for their unit. Remember that your officers are invited to attend PTA Council meetings. The more officers who show up the better your chance to win.
- ❖ **10% over** last year's numbers each unit will receive \$50.00 (award in May)
- ❖ Unit with the **highest percentage increase** will receive \$100.00 (drawing if there is a tie--award in May)
- ❖ **Attendance drawing** \$200.00 to PTA Unit (Unit name goes into a drawing for every person attending Council meetings--draw at May meeting)
- ❖ **Principal incentive** Two drawings for \$150.00 to be used for school (name entered in a drawing in May for every Council meeting attended)

PTA Council Dues

Just a friendly reminder that each unit must submit Council dues to PTA Council by October 15th.

The amount is \$30.00.

<https://stjoepa.org/forms/council-dues//>

Missouri State PTA Convention
October 21 – 23, 2022
Camden on the Lake
Lake of the Ozarks, MO

Registration - \$100.00
Student Registration - \$60.00
(must be in 6th – 12th grade)

<https://mopta.org/2022-missouri-pta-convention/>



Don't forget to check out our website,
www.stjoepa.org

and like us on Facebook!



St. Joseph PTA Council Dues

As a member unit of the St. Joseph PTA Council, you are required each fiscal year to pay Council dues. The fee is \$30.00 and is due not later than October 15th each year.

Please fill out the form below to assure proper credit is given to your unit. The St Joseph PTA Council is here to be a support to you and your unit. We want for your unit to be successful. Please feel free to contact the PTA Council President or any Council Officer, if you need any assistance!

Thank you for your prompt attention to this billing reminder.

St. Joseph PTA Council Dues Form

Unit name: _____

Unit President: _____

Person sending in payment: _____

Date sent: _____

Amount enclosed: \$30.00

Please mail to: St. Joseph PTA Council, PO Box 1162,
St. Joseph, MO 64502

St. Joseph PTA Council Grant Request

The executive committee of each PTA/PTSA may apply for one grant up to the amount of \$400.00.

All proposals will require the following information to be eligible for consideration:

1. General description of the project's purpose and population served. 2. Brief description of the project's implementation plans. 3. **Current Bylaws on file, Council Dues paid and at least one membership turned into the state PTA office.** 4. Detailed description of project for which funds are requested including:

Purpose and goals of project A. Participants to be served B. Breakdown of funds requested by specific categories.

Completed proposals should be returned to St. Joseph PTA Council **on or before November 1**. Please email to **sjptacouncil@gmail.com**.

School name: _____

Contact person: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Signature of PTA/PTSA President _____

Signature of Principal _____

I. Describe the purpose of your project, including the population that will be served, types of activities, length of project and how this project aligns with the Purposes of the PTA and our Mission statement, please remember that projects should be education based or have a student need focus:

II. Describe the organizational structure of your project. An organizational chart may be attached to help satisfy this requirement. (What staff will be involved? Who will be accountable for funds? Who will order and receive materials?)

III. Describe your project:

A. Purpose and goals for the project (projects must have preapproval from the District office):

B. Describe participants to be served, including how they will be selected.

C. Provide a detailed breakdown of expenses, including categories and anticipated expenditures in each category. Be sure amounts are correct, including any shipping and handling fees. To ensure that funds are being used for projects that have been approved we ask that you submit receipts for said project. Once approval has been made on a project we ask that you use grant money for said project only.

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