

Council Clippings

Monthly Newsletter of
St. Joseph PTA Council

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Update.....

Nominating committee...

The St. Joe PTA Council elected its nominating committee at the November meeting. The group elected is Laura Henderson, miller62879@gmail; Shablrix Jones, shablrixjones@gmail.com; Anita Combs, anita.combs@sjsjd.k12.mo.us; Heather Gladhart, heather.gladhart@sjsd.k12.mo.us and Lori Prussman, aokmom@hotmail.com.

The committee has put together a slate of officers for the 2018-2019 school year. The committee will continue its work to find interested people to fill the chairmanships.

In this addition you will find a talent finder flyer. We ask that everyone take a look at this flyer and if you are interested in serving at the Council level please let one of the nominating committee members know. This will speed up the process to fill the slate for next school year.

Thank you in advance for your help.

St. Joseph PTA Council
Mailing address
PO Box 1162, 64502.

PTA Council Dues
Are now Overdue
Please remit as soon as possible

Mark your calendars

PTA Council Meetings
Meetings will be held at Hillyard Tech Center
General meetings begin at 7:00 pm

January 9th, Tuesday
March 5th, Monday
April 16th, Monday
May 7th, Monday



**Is Tammi Gumm; St. Joseph PTA Council
President, a member of your unit yet?
If not please contact her asap!**

The real opportunity for success lies within the person and not in the job." Zig Ziglar

I feel that you can have the best job in the world or be a part of the best team, but unless you work hard, your successes will be limited. I try to put 100% in to everything I do so I can get the most out of it. Otherwise, I would be wasting my time.

Submitted by Nicholas Ryan

Units_PTAName	Bylaw Exp.	Members	Buses	Council	Fin Review	Year End	Tax	Me m	Fin Rev	Year End	Tax	Office	Bylaw
Benton High School PTSA	2/14/2017	131	0		7/31/2017	6/30/2017	7/31/2017	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
Bessie Ellison PTA	9/13/2019	131	0		7/31/2017	6/30/2017	7/31/2017	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Bode Middle School PTSA	11/14/2011	362	10		9/1/2017	6/30/2017	9/1/2017	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Carden Park PTA	9/8/2017	296	0		7/11/2017	6/30/2017	7/11/2017	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Central High PTSA	8/31/2017	362	15		7/29/2017	6/30/2017	7/29/2017	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Coleman Elementary PTA	3/12/2018	139	2		8/8/2017	6/30/2017	8/8/2017	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Edison Elementary PTA	3/28/2019	249	0		8/8/2017	6/30/2017	8/9/2017	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Eugene Field Elementary PTA	10/21/2011	229	1		6/30/2017	6/30/2017	6/30/2017	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
F. L. Skaitth Elementary PTA	2/14/2017	194	6		9/1/2017	6/30/2017	9/5/2017	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Harry S. Truman Middle School PTSA	12/15/2011	349	0		8/9/2017	6/30/2017	8/12/2017	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hosea Elementary PTA	9/19/2020	133	12		10/2/2017	6/30/2017	10/2/2017	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Humboldt PTA	2/14/2017	41	0		9/27/2017	6/30/2017	9/17/2017	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hyde Elementary PTA	9/9/2018	122	0		8/20/2017	6/30/2017	10/24/2017	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
John J. Pershing Elementary PTA	10/4/2020	84	0		11/25/2017	6/30/2017	11/25/2017	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lafayette High School PTSA	8/25/2017	179	5		7	6/30/2017	7	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No
Lake Contrary Elementary PTA	3/3/2019	56	0		6/5/2017	6/30/2017	8/18/2017	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lindbergh Accelerated Elementary School PTA	10/7/2017	158.25	0		8/27/2017	6/30/2017	8/28/2017	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Mark Twain Elementary PTA	1/9/2017	34	0		8/29/2017	6/30/2017	8/29/2017	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Oak Grove Elementary PTA	5/30/2017				7/20/2017	6/30/2017	7/25/2017	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Parkway PTA	12/18/2011	80	0		7/20/2017	6/30/2017	7/23/2017	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Pickett Elementary School PTA	12/23/2018	157	0		7/31/2017	6/30/2017	7/31/2017	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Robidoux Middle School PTSA	5/30/2017				7/2/2017	6/30/2017	7/2/2017	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
St. Joseph Council PTA	1/10/2020				8/30/2017	6/30/2017	8/30/2017	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Webster PTSA	10/5/2019				8/30/2017	6/30/2017	8/30/2017	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes

Need to know info...

***Membership cards...**To request additional membership cards please go online to www.mopta.org and fill out the request form so the office can mail them to you.

***Reminder to send in your PTA memberships monthly.** The new form is on the www.mopta.org.

***IRS deadline** is fast approaching. 990 N's must be filed by the 15th day of the 5th month following the close of the fiscal year. (Fiscal year ending June 30, the 990 is due November 15.)

***Reports due Dec. 1, 2017 to MOPTA office...**Financial Review/Audit, Annual year end report and a copy of your IRS confirmation. These reports can be postal mailed or emailed to the state office, office@mopta.org.

***Bylaws; are your units bylaws current?...** Each unit needs to check their bylaws to make sure they are not expired. Remember that units should have a committee to review the bylaws and they should bring any changes to the general assembly for approval. Typically, any changes must be presented and wait until the next meeting to vote on approval.



Council Clippings Article Assignments for February Articles are due January 15, 2018

<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Presidents Report</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Nominating Committee</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Reflections</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Regional Director article</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Salute to Schools</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Character & Spiritual</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

Included in this addition we are sharing the latest MOPTA Unit in good standing report.

Clarence J Carpenter Memorial Fund Board donations can be mailed to:

Cheryl Hale

1124 N. 13th, St. Joseph MO 64501

Thank you in advance for your continued support!!!



SAVE THE DATE - Kansas-Missouri Combined State Convention: April 27-29, 2018!

That's right, we're joining forces with our neighboring state PTA and holding a joint convention at the Stoney Creek Hotel & Conference Center in Independence, MO.

We KAN do MOre Together! Many details about this unprecedented event are forthcoming.



Unmet needs grant

The Council is continuing with the Unmet needs grants this year. These funds will allow the Council to help supplement needs your Unit or students have that you can't quite pay for alone. We have up to \$3,050 to help fund needs for this school year.

Here's the process we are implementing at this point. Note: Since this is the first time we are trying this out, this process can change as the Council sees fit.

- Write a letter/email to the Council explaining what your needs are, what other funding venues you have tried, and how this funding will benefit your Unit/students.
- You can request any money amount needed, however the Council may not fund your entire request.
- You should explain how you have exhausted other funding opportunities.
- Email requests to Tammi Gumm at gummi_bears@att.net.
- The Executive Council Board Members 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 Board will award recipients until the funds have been depleted.
- You may be asked to write an article for one of our publications explaining how the funding was a benefit to your Unit/students.

The St. Joseph PTA Council nominating committee is in the process of developing the slate of officers and chairs for the 2018-2019 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 January 29th** to the nominating committee. Email addresses for the committee are on page 1 of Council Clippings.

VI - very interested I – Interested

Officers:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> President: | <input type="checkbox"/> 1st Vice President |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2nd Vice President: | <input type="checkbox"/> 3rd Vice President |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4th Vice President: | <input type="checkbox"/> Secretary: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer: | <input type="checkbox"/> Sergeant-At-Arms |

Chairs:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reflections: | <input type="checkbox"/> Reflections Ceremony |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spelling Bee: | <input type="checkbox"/> Founders Day |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Salute the Schools |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PTA University | <input type="checkbox"/> Ways and Means: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bylaws | <input type="checkbox"/> Clippings (Editor) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legislation | <input type="checkbox"/> Awards: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events | <input type="checkbox"/> Early Childhood |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health/Wellness & Safety | <input type="checkbox"/> Family/Community Engagement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special Education | |

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone #: _____ Unit: _____

Previous volunteer experience: _____

Please join us as we celebrate
St. Joseph PTA Council Founder's Day
Thursday, February 8, 2018

Tours of Oak Grove begin at 4:30 pm
Registration begins at 5:30 pm.
Dinner begins promptly at 6:00 pm.

Catering by Spanky and Buckwheat's
Pulled pork, brisket, twice baked potato casserole, green beans,
baked beans, salad, and dinner rolls.

Dress is business casual

Oak Grove Elementary, 4901 Cook Road
816-671-4290

Cost-\$15.00 per person

Registration Form...

Registration Deadline: Monday, January 29, 2018

No Refunds—No Exceptions

School Name _____



Person(s) Attending

St. Joseph PTA Council Outstanding Volunteer Award Winner _____

(Just a friendly reminder; Units pay for Outstanding Volunteers meal.)

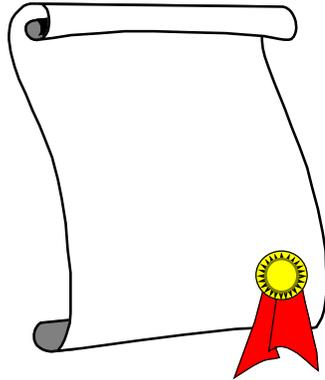
Total number of guests _____

Amount Enclosed:\$ _____

Note anyone who is a Past Council President with #

Make Checks payable to: St. Joseph PTA Council
And mail to: PO Box 1162
St. Joseph, MO 64502





THE ST. JOSEPH PTA COUNCIL OUTSTANDING PRINCIPAL AWARD

Our school principals provide a great deal of leadership for the children, their families, staff, teachers, other principals of the St. Joseph School District, and our community. They deserve recognition for their dedicated efforts.

The St. Joseph PTA Council (since 1994-95 school year) will honor one outstanding St. Joseph School District principal at the annual Founder's Day Banquet.

The principal must be nominated by a member of his or her PTA/PTSA unit and should be an exemplary individual for his/her peers.

The principal should actively encourage PTA/PTSA leaders in his or her school; use creativity in working with the school's unit; encourage PTA/PTSA membership; attend PTA/PTSA functions; encourage teachers and staff members from his or her school to be members of PTA/PTSA as well as encourage them to attend PTA/PTSA functions; and work for the overall betterment of PTA/PTSA. First year principals are not eligible for nomination.

Nomination forms for this award, **MUST** be received by the St. Joseph PTA Council Awards Chairman **NO LATER THAN January 16, 2018!!** Please only one nomination per principal.

Nominations are to be sent to: **PTA Council Awards Chair**
PO Box 1162, St. Joseph, MO 64502

Only the Award Winner will be announced at the PTA Founder's Day Banquet. He or she will receive a prestigious, engraved PTA Medallion Award and a financial stipend for his or her outstanding leadership in PTA/PTSA. The individual's name will also be put on display in the School Board Room of the St. Joseph School District. ***Please feel free to use additional page for answers**

St. Joseph PTA Council Outstanding Principal Of The Year Nomination Form

Nominator's Name: _____

Nominator's Home Address: _____

Nominator's Work Phone: _____

Nominator's Home Phone: _____



Principal's Name: _____ School: _____

Principal's Position in the PTA/PTSA: _____



How my principal encourages individuals to become PTA/PTSA members and how my principal encourages individuals to attend PTA/PTSA activities:

Please list and explain **THREE** great ideas or things your principal has done at your school during this school year:

St. Joseph PTA Council

Outstanding PTA Unit Award

In our continuing effort to recognize outstanding things going on in our Council, we have created a new award. The “Outstanding PTA Unit” award is to honor a PTA unit for their ongoing efforts to strengthen their school community by developing building cohesiveness through team building. As membership growth is a very important component to a thriving unit we felt this should be recognized and celebrated.

The Outstanding PTA Unit award will be presented at the Founders Day Banquet.

We are asking principals to nominate their unit for all the hard work and dedication that their executive board has exhibited in their ongoing efforts to strengthen their PTA.

Nomination forms for this award must be received by the St. Joseph PTA Council Awards Chairman **NO LATER THAN January 16, 2018!!**

Nominations are to be sent to: **PTA Council Awards Chair**
PO Box 1162, St. Joseph, MO 64502

The award winning unit will have the honor of hanging a traveling trophy in their school until next year’s winner is selected. Each board member will be recognized with a certificate of appreciation.

Please feel free to use additional page for answers.

The St. Joseph PTA Council
Outstanding Unit Award Nomination Form

Nominator's name: _____

Nominator's email: _____

Unit name and Executive board members names: _____

Please list three great activities OR one outstanding program that your PTA or PTSA has done at your school.

Please share your PTA/PTSA's ongoing efforts to build membership, outstanding membership campaign.

Please share how your PTA/PTSA is working on increasing student involvement and building cohesiveness between parents, staff and administration.

The St. Joseph PTA Council
Lifetime PTA Leadership Award

Background:

In order to keep the National PTA organization financially strong for generations to come, the National PTA started a Foundation.

At the 2005 National PTA Convention, the first National PTA Foundation Breakfast was held. This activity helped to initiate the idea of making gifts to the National PTA Foundation to keep PTA a strong organization for the future. Please see www.pta.org for additional information about the foundation.

Award Information:

The St. Joseph PTA Council Lifetime PTA Leadership Award, which is sponsored by the St. Joseph PTA Council, will donate \$250 each year to the National PTA Foundation in the name of a PTA leader who has given a lifetime of enthusiastic dedication to PTA.

Any PTA member may make a nomination for the St. Joseph PTA Council Lifetime PTA Leadership Award.

Nominations are due January 16, 2018 to **PTA Council Awards Chair**, PO Box 1162, St. Joseph, MO 64502.

The St. Joseph PTA Council Awards Chair with the St. Joseph PTA Council Executive Officers Board making the decision as to the award winner. The presentation will be made at the Founders' Day Banquet. The winner will be presented an award as a keepsake. The first presentation was made at the 2006 Founders' Day Banquet.

Davis-Langemach PTA Council Award of Excellence

Background

The “Davis-Langemach PTA Council Award of Excellence” is named after Mrs. True Davis, Sr., and Mrs. Vernon Langemach, both highly admired St. Joseph ladies, who are past State PTA Presidents.

Determination of Winner

The administrator, teacher, staff member, or volunteer who has been nominated, must have made a major difference in the life of a student of the St. Joseph School District. It should be something that will be of major impact in the child’s life and must have taken place between the first day of school and the last day of school.

A nomination may be made by a parent/family member, administrator, teacher, staff person, or other adult community member. (No self nominations please.)

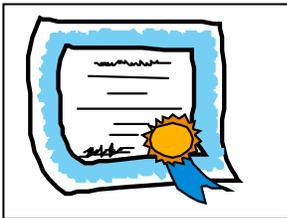
This honoree will be presented an award at the annual Founder’s Day Celebration.

Deadline

All nominations must be sent to St. Joseph PTA Council Awards Chair no later than January 16, 2018.

Please mail nominations to

PTA Council Awards Chair
PO Box 1162, St. Joseph, MO 64502



Thank you for your participation.

DAVIS-LANGEMACH PTA COUNCIL AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

NAME OF NOMINEE _____

SCHOOL _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

HOME PHONE _____

NAME OF NOMINATOR _____

SCHOOL _____ PHONE _____

MY NOMINEE HAS MADE A DIFFERENCE BY.....

(Please use back of page if necessary.)

ADMINISTRATOR'S SIGNATURE

St. Joseph PTA Council Outstanding Volunteer Award

Background

This award is to recognize the outstanding volunteers who give of their time to help make a difference at their school. Please help us to show our appreciation for all of their hard work and dedication. These outstanding volunteers are to be honored annually at the Founder's Day Celebration to be held each February.

Determination of Winner

A nomination from each of the 23 school principals is requested.

These outstanding volunteers will be presented an award at the Founder's Day Celebration, February, 2018.

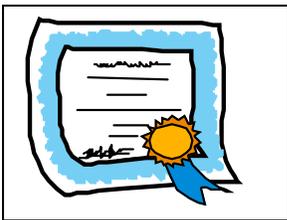
Be sure to invite your nominee to the Founder's Day Dinner and include them in your PTA/PTSA reservations. Your unit pays for your volunteer to attend.

Deadline

All nominations must be sent to St. Joseph PTA Council Awards Chair no later than January 16, 2018.

Please mail nominations to:

PTA Council Awards Chair
PO Box 1162, St. Joseph, MO 64502



Thank you for your participation.

St. Joseph PTA Council Outstanding Volunteer Award

NAME OF NOMINEE _____

SCHOOL _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

HOME PHONE _____

NAME OF NOMINATOR _____

SCHOOL _____ PHONE _____

MY NOMINEE HAS MADE A DIFFERENCE BY.....

(Please use back of page if necessary.)

ADMINISTRATOR'S SIGNATURE

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