

# Council Clippings

Monthly Newsletter of  
St. Joseph PTA Council

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## St. Joseph PTA Council Meeting Notice

**PTA University**  
**Tuesday, April 2nd**  
TMC, 3401 Renick

**Vendor Fair 5:00-5:30 pm**  
**Dinner 5:30-6:00 pm**  
Council meeting/  
officer **training** 6:15-8:00 pm

Dinner will be provided  
by PTA Council

## 2019-2020 PTA Council elected officers...

President: David Cripe  
1<sup>st</sup> VP: Erica Caples  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP: Lisa Gray  
3<sup>rd</sup> VP: Cheryl Hale  
4<sup>th</sup> VP: John Davison  
Secretary: Ragen McGowen  
Treasurer: Hollianna Chambers  
Sgt at Arms: Laura Henderson

Carpenter board...

3 year terms...  
Tammi Gumm  
Shelley Crooks  
Dr. Crystal Green

2018-2021 unexpired term of David Cripe  
Joyce Roberts

Thank you everyone for agreeing to serve  
as an advocate for SJSD kids!!!

**"If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door."**

Submitted by Madeline Arn

## Council Clippings Article Assignments for May 2019

Articles are due April 15, 2019

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

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

**Every vote counts.....**



**Let your voice be heard!**  
**Vote Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>!!!**

*Happy Easter!*



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And like us on Facebook!



## 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 31<sup>st</sup> each year**

**Updated report included in this issue.**



Happy Spring!!!!

I hope everyone had a great parent teacher conference.

This time of year everyone starts preparing for MAP testing or end of year testing. Each child should try to relax and do their best. Make sure that they get a good breakfast and a restful night of sleep before they do their tests.

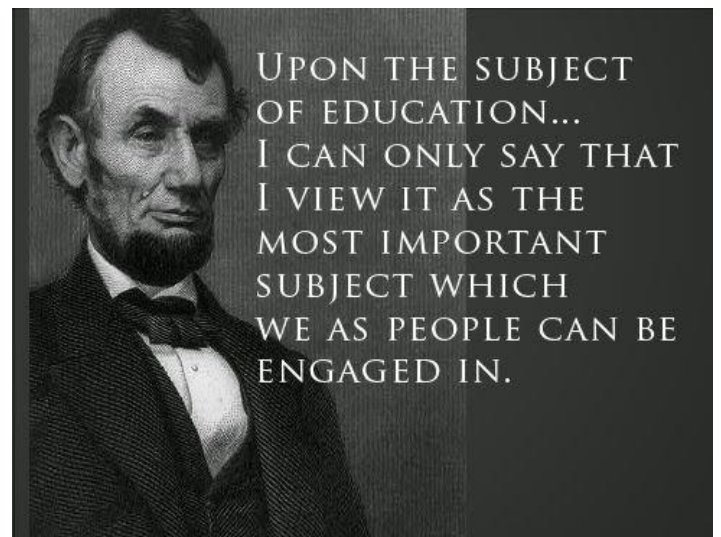
Even though we are getting closer to the end of school it's important to finish strong and keep that routine up. Keep talking with your kiddos, asking them open ended questions about their day instead of just yes or no questions. Communication is so important for many reasons.

April is Autism Awareness Month

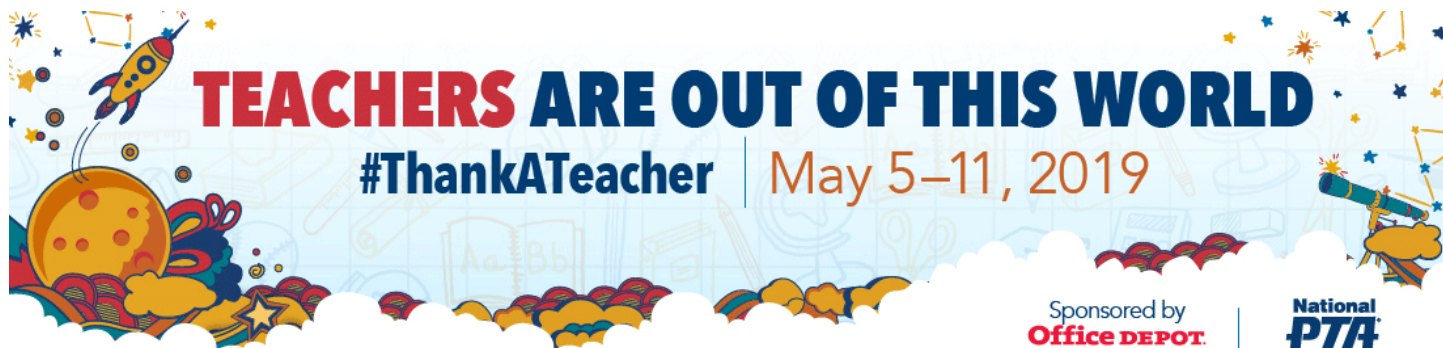
Thanks for all that you do.

Anita Combs

Special Education Teacher & Council Chair



Just a friendly reminder that March was election month for **new officers for 2019-2020!** Results from you March election deadline is March 31<sup>st</sup>. Submit to MOPTA, [www.mopta.org](http://www.mopta.org) and St. Joseph PTA Council, [www.stjoepta.org](http://www.stjoepta.org) to be in good standing. Form for Council is included in this issue!



March 11, 2019

PTA Council Members:

Hello! Because I'm new to the St. Joseph School District, please allow me to introduce myself to those who don't know me. My name is Gabe Edgar, Director of Finance for the St. Joseph School District. To begin, I want to express my thanks to the PTA Council for partnering with schools and the district to make this a better place for student learning. We appreciate everything the PTA has done in the past and look forward to continuing this partnership into the future.

The PTA is of vital importance to schools, supporting schools through generous gifts and donations that allow for purchases and expenditures that supplement school budgets and broaden student experiences. My challenge to the PTA is to continue to focus on bigger and better things for KIDS! As we change the philosophy in the business office to a zero-balanced budgeting focus, I want the PTAs to continue to set the goal of going "above and beyond" for all kids in our school district, and I am in hopes that we (the St. Joseph School District) will be able to provide all of the everyday learning necessities for kids. I know in the past that the PTA has had to subsidize everyday necessities for schools, but through our budgeting work, I believe that this will change and most, if not all, of those expenses will be supported through district allocations.

If you ever have any questions in regards to the budgeting philosophy of the district, please don't hesitate to call me at 816-671-4000 or e-mail me at [gabe.edgar@sjsd.k12.mo.us](mailto:gabe.edgar@sjsd.k12.mo.us) anytime. I look forward to continuing this great partnership! I hope to get to a meeting soon, where we can officially meet face-to-face.

Sincerely,

Gabe Edgar, Director of Finance  
St. Joseph School District

## 2018-2019 Unit in Good Standing

Unit	Current bylaws	Membership	Fin. Review/audit	Year end report	IRS filing	Current officers	In good standing
<b>Carden Park</b>	Current__2/12/21	Yes	Yes 7/3/18	Yes 7/3/18	Yes E-postcard	Yes	Yes
<b>Coleman</b>	Current__11/1/21	Yes	Yes 7/1/18	Yes 10/31/18	Yes E-postcard	Yes	Yes
<b>Edison</b>	Current__3/28/19	Yes	Yes 7/9/18	Yes 9/19/18	Yes E-postcard	Yes	Yes
<b>Ellison</b>	Current__9/13/19	Yes	Yes 9/20/18	Yes 10/9/18	Yes E-postcard	Yes	Yes
<b>Field</b>	Current__11/1/21	Yes	Yes 7/23/18	Yes 11/15/18	Yes E-postcard	Yes	Yes
<b>Hosea</b>	Current__9/19/20	Yes	Yes 7/24/18	Yes 9/21/18	Yes E-postcard	Yes	Yes
<b>Hyde</b>	Current__11/6/21	Yes	Yes 8/1/18	Yes 10/26/18	Yes E-postcard	Yes	Yes
<b>Lindbergh</b>	Current__2/23/21	Yes	Yes 8/20/18	Yes 9/11/18	Yes E-postcard	Yes	Yes
<b>Mark Twain</b>	Current__1/3/20	Yes	Yes 6/1/18	Yes 11/1/18	Yes E-postcard	Yes	Yes
<b>Oak Grove</b>	Current__8/14/21	Yes	Yes 9/6/18	Yes 9/6/18	Yes 990-EZ	Yes	Yes
<b>Parkway</b>	Current__1/13/21	Yes	Yes 7/23/18	Yes 11/19/18	Yes E-postcard	Yes	Yes
<b>Pershing</b>	Current__10/4/20	Yes	Yes 8/4/18	Yes 10/9/18	Yes E-postcard	Yes	Yes
<b>Pickett</b>	Current__12/3/18	Yes	Yes 1/8/19	Yes 1/8/19	Yes E-postcard	Yes	Yes
<b>Skaith</b>	Current__6/28/21	Yes	Yes 8/17/18	Yes 9/10/18	Yes E-postcard	Yes	Yes
<b>Bode</b>	Current__1/23/2022	Yes	Yes 11/29/18	Yes 11/29/18	Yes E-postcard	Yes	Yes
<b>Robidoux</b>	Current__5/10/21	No	Yes 8/13/18	Yes 11/3/18	Yes E-postcard	Yes	No
<b>Spring Garden</b>	Expired	No	Yes 12/11/18	Yes 12/11/18	Yes E- postcard	No	No
<b>Truman</b>	Current__12/15/19	Yes	No	No	Yes E-postcard	Yes	No
<b>Benton</b>	Current__12/4/21	No	Yes 11/29/18	Yes 11/29/18	Yes E-postcard	No	No
<b>Central</b>	Current__2/23/21	Yes	Yes 11/26/18	Yes 11/26/18	Yes E-postcard	Yes	Yes
<b>Lafayette</b>	Current__12/17/21	Yes	Yes 9/4/18	Yes 3/4/19	Yes E-postcard	Yes	Yes
<b>PTA Council</b>	Current__1/10/20	Yes	Yes 8/31/18	Yes 11/16/18	Yes E-postcard	Yes	Yes
<b>Updated 11/9/18 11/19/18</b>	<b>11/28/18 12/30/18 1/31/19 2/27/19 3/26/19</b>						

# PTA/PTSA Officers List

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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 March 31st

**School Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**President's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**2<sup>nd</sup> 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.**

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Address:\_\_\_\_\_Zip:\_\_\_\_\_

Phone\_\_\_\_\_Email:\_\_\_\_\_

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# **ST. JOSEPH PTA COUNCIL CHARACTER AND SPIRITUAL LEADER SCHOLARSHIP 2019-2020**

**The St. Joseph PTA Council established this scholarship. The amount of this scholarship is \$1,000.00. This scholarship is for a one-year term to the student.**

## **Requirements for eligibility:**

1. Must be a graduating senior of a St. Joseph Public School (2019-2020).
2. Must be a member of their high school PTSA for 2019-2020.
3. Must maintain at least a 2.0 GPA.
4. Must have one (1) letter of recommendation from a school personality (example: Teacher, Principal or Guidance Counselor.)
5. Must complete the application attached.
6. Must attach a transcript with application
7. Must write and attach an essay on your goals for college and career (150 words or less).
8. **Must attend bi-monthly General meetings of the St. Joseph PTA Council and the Founder's Day Dinner and be prepared with a motivational "thought for the evening" at these meetings. (Five meetings; Sept., Nov., Jan., March, May, and one banquet; Feb.)**
9. **Must prepare monthly motivational thoughts or short poem to be published in our monthly newsletter (Council Clippings). This does not have to be an original work of art.**

**\*\*Though not mandatory, please enclose a photo. It is good to have a face with a name.**

Application Process

Applications will be available at guidance counselor office. **Applications are due to the guidance counselor no later than Thursday, May 8, 2019.** Selection will be made by June 2019. Applications will be forwarded to PTA Council Awards chairman by the schools counselor:

**APPLICATION FOR THE ST. JOSEPH PTA COUNCIL  
CHARACTER AND SPIRITUAL LEADER SCHOLARSHIP.**

APPLICANT'S NAME:

LAST	FIRST	MIDDLE	DATE OF BIRTH
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ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP
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TELEPHONE #	PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME
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Name and address of high school attended and number of years at that school.


Name and address of the college or university you plan to attend.


I plan to be a member of my high school PTSA for the year of 2019-2020. Yes / No

I have been a PTA/PTSA member for \_\_\_\_\_ years.

I hereby certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant



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