

Council Clippings

Monthly Newsletter of
St. Joseph PTA Council



President's Corner

Hello everyone!

Dec 1st is here, meaning all financials are due. Please email the council and state a copy to be considered in good standing. The holidays are upon us and I hope everyone is gearing up for a fun season! Founders Day invites will soon be coming out. Make sure to fill them out and the awards and return them ASAP. I am super excited about our guest speaker for Founders Day. We have a lot of business to cover in our December 11th meeting as well as handing out grant checks, so you don't want to miss this one! Have a wonderful month and we will see you soon!

Shawnda Embrey, St. Joseph PTA Council
President



Nominating committee

St. Joseph PTA Council nominating committee will be elected at our December meeting. The committee will begin their work very soon and would love to hear from you. We have the talent finder form posted on our website; www.stjoepta.org. Please take a few minutes to look it over and fill out your form asap.

The job description of each officer and chair is also on the website. This will give you a very good idea of the work involved in each position.

Please email your form to

sjptacouncil@gmail.com.

Thanks in advance!



Council Clippings Article Assignments for January 2026

Articles are due December 30, 2025

<input type="checkbox"/> Presidents Report	<input type="checkbox"/> Character & Spiritual
<input type="checkbox"/> Reflections	<input type="checkbox"/> Founders Day
<input type="checkbox"/> Special Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Early Childhood

All articles must be emailed to Jennifer Kerns at jennifker81@gmail.com, subject: CLIPPING ARTICLE. Thank you for getting your articles to me in a timely manner.

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

Deadline is December 1!

Send reports to 1415 N. 26th St., St. Joseph MO 64506 or email to sjptacouncil@gmail.com File electronically at mopta.org



The St. Joseph PTA Council Unmet needs grant application is included in this issue of Clippings.

Deadline is January 29th!

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

and like us on Facebook!

**Founders Day will be held on Thursday, February 12th Stoney Creek Inn
Invitations and Award nomination links below.**



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

Update is included in this issue...

**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.

- 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 siptacouncil@gmail.com.
- **Deadline is January 29th.**
- **Checks will be awarded at Founders Day Dinner.**

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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Will be awarded at Founders Day dinner.

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?



Founder's Day 2026

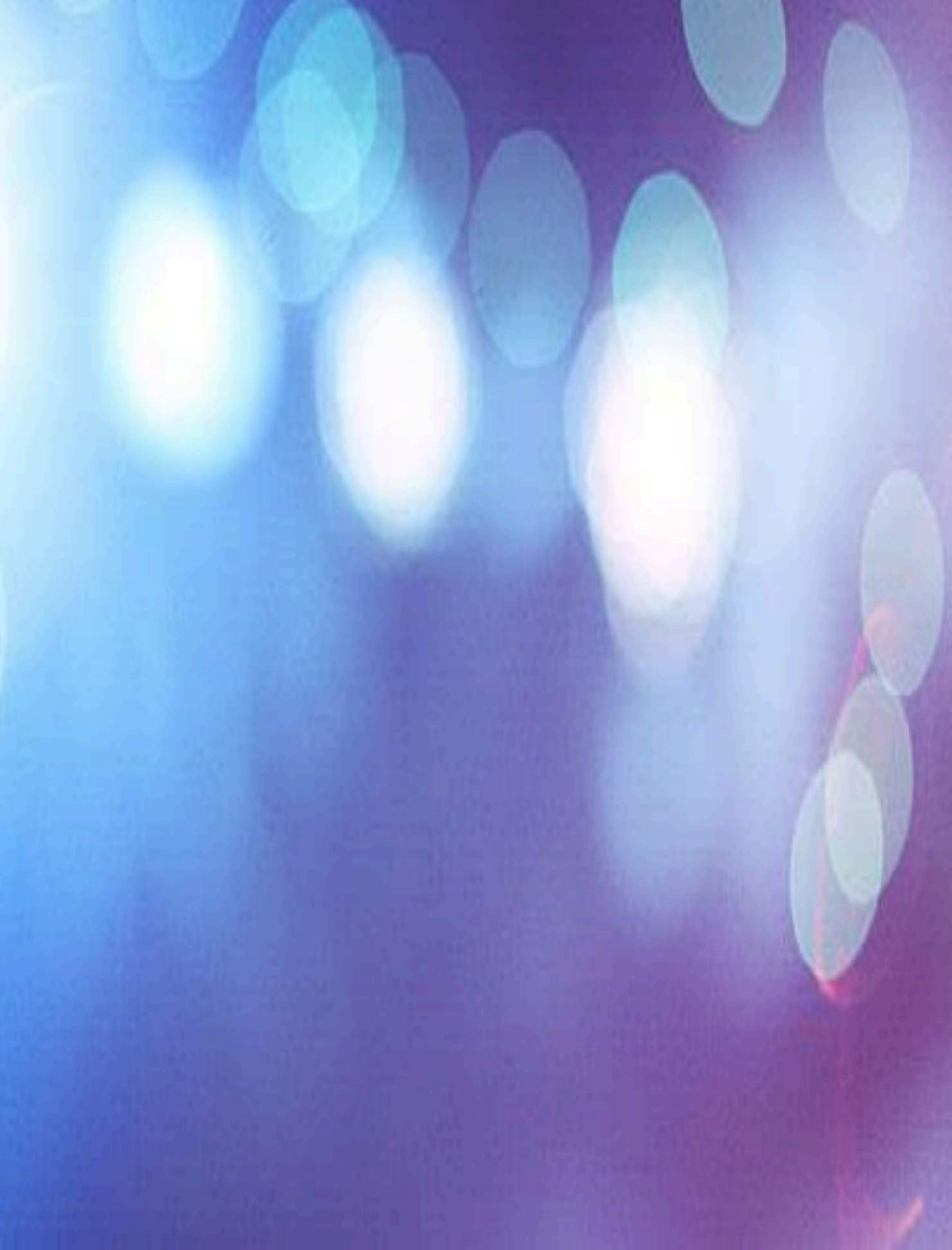
Dear Guest

On behalf of the Saint Joseph PTA Council I
proudly invite you to our annual
Founder's Day Celebration on
February 12, 2026 at Stoney Creek Inn.

Please plan on attending this dinner and award
celebration hosted by the
Saint Joseph PTA Council in recognition of
your contribution to our community this year.
Please follow the RSVP instructions enclosed.

Thank you for your service to our students.

Christy Horner
Saint Joseph PTA Council



Founder's Day Celebration

**Complete your registration online
using this link to a google form! →**



**February 12, 2026
Stoney Creek Inn
1201 Woodbine Road**

**Registration begins at 6:00pm
Program begins at 6:30pm**

**Dress is Business Casual
Cost is \$15 per person
Registration Deadline is January 15, 2026**

– No Refunds –

Dinner will be provided



Founder's Day 2026

Dear Building Principals and Unit Presidents

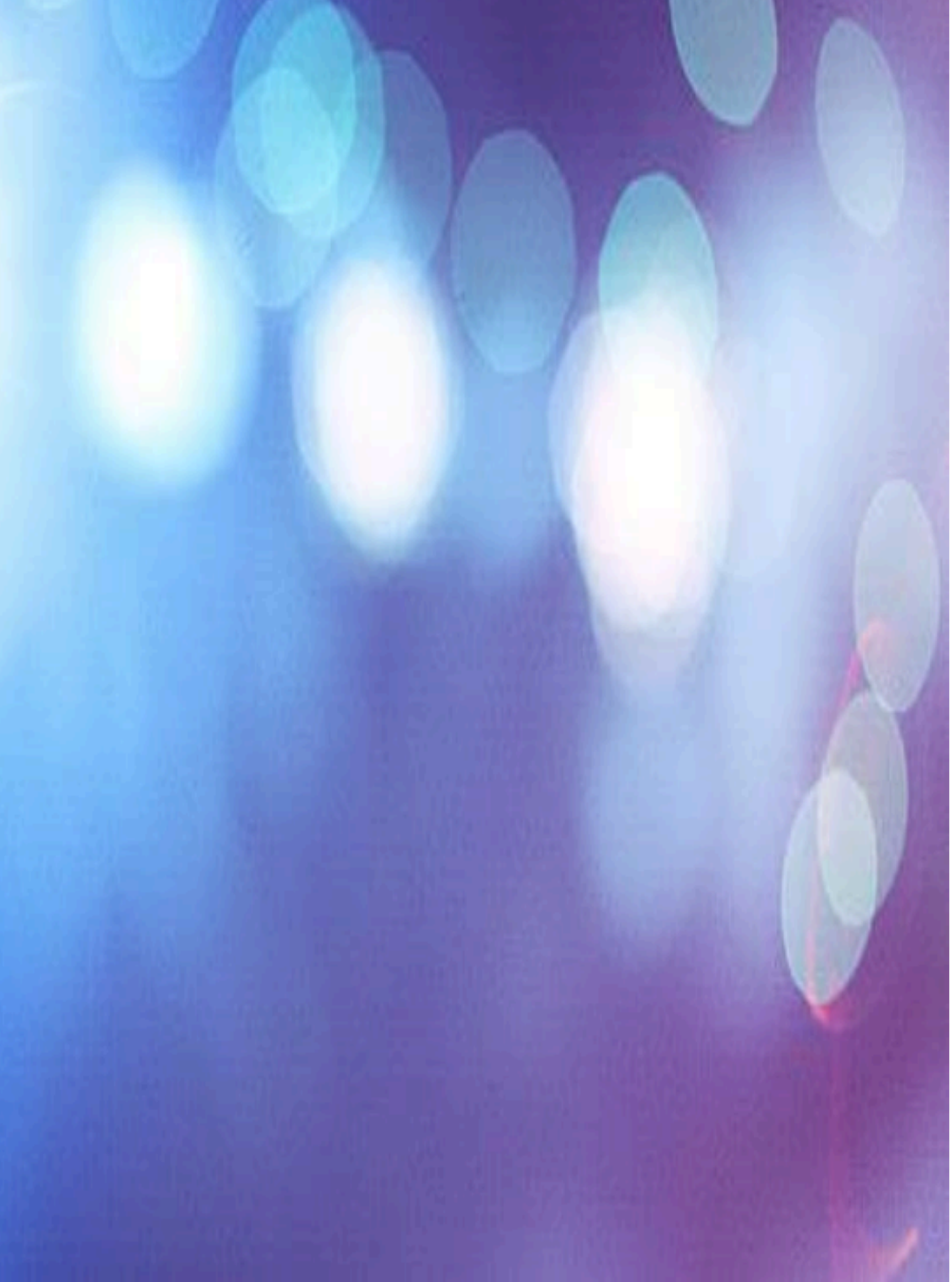
Please read the following important information: • Every unit is required to have an outstanding volunteer.

Outstanding volunteers should be invited to Founder's Day and will be paid for by their local unit.

- Every unit is required to complete and return ALL award applications.
 - Award applications must be completed by following the given google forms link for each award.
- Every unit is required to send an attendee. • Every unit is awarded three books on behalf of Saint Joseph PTA Council President, Saint Joseph School Board and in honor of the school's outstanding volunteer.

ALL AWARD APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED VIA THE GIVEN LINKS NO LATER THAN JANUARY 15, 2026.

FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT FOUNDER'S DAY RSVPS
AND AWARDS -CONTACT CHRISTY HORNER @
816-914-0991



Unit Presidents and School Principals

Please work together in making sure that a nomination from your building is turned in for each award. Follow the links below for a description of each award and to submit your nomination.

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