

Council Clippings

St. Joseph PTA Council Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Greetings PTA officers!

I'm the returning St. Joseph PTA Council President for the 26-27 school year. Thank you for giving your time to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.

Each new year comes with lots of activity for local units. As you are kicking off the year, please remember that the Council is here to offer resources, training, and guidance if you have questions or need support.

Please submit officer information to Council and State PTA if you haven't already. Check out our new membership benefit flyer!

Shawnda Embrey
St. Joseph PTA Council President

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

- September 10th
- October 8th
- November 12th
- December 10th
- January 14th
- February 11th - Founders Day (Stoney Creek Inn)
- March 11th - BOE Candidate Forum Follows
- April 8th PTA University (Hillyard)
- May 13th

All meetings will be held at TMC, 3401 Renick unless otherwise stated at 7pm.

PTA COUNCIL DUES

Just a friendly reminder that each unit must submit Council dues to PTA Council by October 15th. The amount is \$30. Get the form [here](#).

PTA COUNCIL GRANT

The deadline for the \$400 Grant is November 1st! Every unit is eligible for this.

Don't miss out on an opportunity to fund a special project this school year!

Get the grant application [here](#).

CURRENT OFFICERS

State PTA and PTA Council need your help in collecting your officer information.

It is very important we both get the information for updating of our databases.

The National PTA was founded in 1897 by two women - Alice McLellan Birney and Phoebe Apperson Hearst - long before women had the right to vote in the United States.

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 [here](#).
- Don't forget that you must present your audit to your General assembly and it must be approved by membership.
- Send copies to 1415 N. 26th St., St. Joseph MO 64506 or email to sjptacouncil@gmail.com and submit to the State PTA office online [here](#) to remain in good standing!!

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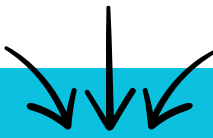
MEMBERSHIP DUES

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. Submit [here](#).

CHARACTER & SPIRITUAL LEADER

St. Joseph PTA Council would like to congratulate Magdalynn Adams on being selected as our St. Joseph PTA Council Character & Spiritual Leader & scholarship recipient for 2026-2027. Magdalynn is a senior at Central High School. We are looking forward to working with her this year.



Don't forget to bring 2 membership cards to the next Council meeting so the PTA Council President & SJSD Superintendent can purchase them & become members of your unit!



Volunteers are not paid - not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless.

ARTICLE ASSIGNMENTS

Council Clippings Article Assignments for October are due on October 5th.

- Presidents Report
- Character & Spiritual
- Regional Director Report
- Family & Community Engagement

All articles must be emailed to Sonia Hernandez at mrssoniahernandez@gmail.com
Thank you for getting your articles to me!

UNIT IN GOOD STANDING

To be a unit in good standing with the State PTA you must...

- Submit your financial review by Dec. 1st
- Submit your annual report by Dec. 1st
- Submit your IRS tax confirmation by Dec. 1st
- 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 to council [here](#).

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SAVE THE DATE

2026 Missouri PTA
Convention
Saturday & Sunday
November 7th & 8th 2026
Stoney Creed Hotel
Columbia MO
Register [here](#).



Check out our membership benefits flyer! This is for anyone who has a 2026-2027 PTA Card. Just show the card to the business and receive the discount that is offered! Go [here](#) to see the great membership benefits.

Don't forget to check out our website stjoeppta.org and like us on facebook.com !

Resources for all the information in this newsletter can be found at:

- <https://stjoeppta.org/>
- <https://mopta.org/>

If you have a PTA school event you would like me to promote on Facebook just send me an email & I'll put it on there for you.

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