I’m hoping that the school year has started off well for all of our Missouri units!! Hopefully you will gain new members this year as you start your membership campaigns. Make sure to register for the Local PTA Leader Kit: This is your free, year-round resource to support all of your PTA leadership needs. You will find strategies, tips and turn-key tools to ensure your success.

I encourage you to sign up for the National PTA Boot Camp, if you have not done so already. Click here to sign up! You’ll get daily emails full of practical tips, template tools and inspirational thoughts in the areas you need it most for 7 days.

As you reach out to parents, community members and others, you will receive different reactions. Some will want to join your PTA and be a support. Others will have a list of reasons why not to join. The graphic below was created by Nevada PTA to give answers to many of the myths people have about joining a PTA. Keep this as a guide to help you answer those questions when faced with them.
President's Checklist for September

- Hold general membership meeting if did not do so in August
- Send in membership dues (these are due monthly)
- Apply for awards – Due September 1st postmarked
- Send in End of Year Financial report, Annual Review form and copy of 990 submission (due 12/1 but why wait)
- E-learning – Quick Guide to Taking & Approving Minutes
- Kick off Reflections
- Hold Executive Board meeting
Good Health is Associated with Good Attendance!

Insert taken from Attendance Awareness Campaign Update Aug. 28, 2019 Newsletter.

"Illness is the top reason students and families give for missing school! Research from Texas A&M University found students who received flu shots at school had fewer absences than their unvaccinated peers. Consider promoting immunization activities in partnership with health providers. Learn more in the Attendance Playbook from FutureEd and Attendance Works.

How can you establish partnerships with health professionals, particularly pediatricians and nurses, to act as allies for communicating with parents and schools about the importance of preventing school absences? Give them a copy of the American Academy of Pediatrics', The Link Between School Attendance and Good Health, a resource for health providers that shows what they can do to prevent health related absences."
MOPTA Office Gets Updated Signs

National PTA Grants - Deadline to enter is Sept. 8, 2019.

Get More Information Here

Lend your support while gearing up for school
Shop at smile.amazon.com and Amazon donates.
Register for Reflections Now

2019-2021 Schools of Excellence

The 2019-2021 National PTA Schools of Excellence are designated in recognition of their commitment to building an inclusive and welcoming school-community where all families contribute to enriching the educational experience and overall well-being for all students.

- Alexander Doniphan PTA, Liberty
- Barry Middle School PTSA, Kansas City
- Belton Middle School/Freshman Center PTSA, Belton
- Cold Water Elementary PTA, Florissant
- Hawthorn Elementary PTA, Parkville
- Thomas B. Chinn PTA, Kansas City
- Trailridge Elementary School PTA, Lee’s Summit
- Union Chapel Elementary School PTA, Kansas City

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Video on How to Enroll