

Missouri PTA Advocacy through Legislation (AtLAW) Outstanding Unit/Council Award

Send to: Missouri PTA Office, PO Box 30545, Columbia, MO 65205

This Award is for Local PTA Units or Councils with an active legislative program, or who would like to develop an active legislative program.

Hosting legislative events, educating others about PTA resolutions, encouraging members to actively participate in legislative endeavors, and promoting PTA issues all work towards helping your unit or council achieve the points required for the Missouri PTA Advocacy through Legislation Outstanding Unit or Council Award.

To earn the Award, units and councils must show their commitment to advocating for children through legislation by earning **200 points** or more during the specified time frame, which starts September 1st and continues to August 31^{st} of the following year. Some items are worth a set number of points while others have a point multiplier value. For example emailing out a JC/DC alert has a point multiplier value of x10. The unit or council would multiple by 10 each time they email a different JC/DC alert issued by either Missouri or National PTA.

Awards will be presented during the Missouri PTA Annual Convention.

Mandatory requirements for this award.

- 1. Councils must host a Missouri PTA Kids First Town Hall Meeting. **please note this requirement is only mandatory for councils.
- 2. A Legislative Chairperson for the unit or council must be appointed. The name and contact information including name, phone and email must be to the MOPTA office by August 31st.

The completed application form with supporting documentation (newsletters, programs, minutes, letters, copies of e-mails) must be to the MOPTA office and postmarked on or before August 31.



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Name of Unit/Council app	olying for award		
Legislative Chairperson			
Address			
City	Zip	Pho	ne
Unit/Council President			
Council or City		Region	

Part A – These are mandatory requirements for eligibility Council hosted a Kids First Town Hall

Date______ *note this requirement is only mandatory for councils

Appoint a Legislative Chairperson and send name with contact information to the MOPTA office by August 31st Name_____

Part B

Attend Training throughout the Year

	Points	Total
Total number of attendees at the most recent Missouri PTA Convention	x5 pts	
Total number of attendees to Missouri PTA Advocacy Training	x10 pts	
Total number of attendees at a Missouri or National Resolution Briefing	x10 pts	

Inform Others on Legislative Issues

	Points	Total
Shared all or parts of the Suggestive Legislative Report with members (include copies of		
how the report was shared with members $-i.e.$ newsletters, social media posting, webpage		
article/blog)	x5 pts	
Total number of letters to the editor (include copies of published letters)	x5 pts	
Included a legislative section on the unit/council website	10 pts	
Promoted PTA legislative issues through the unit/council social media avenues (include		
copies of those postings – i.e. screenshots of postings or re-posting from either MOPTA or		
NPTA social media sites)	x5 pts	
Give a legislative report at PTA meeting (include copy of meeting minutes)	x5 pts	
Give a legislative report on MOPTA issues at a School Board meeting (include copy of		
meeting minutes)	x5 pts	
Total number of JC/DC Action Alerts emailed to membership		
Date Alert		
Date Alert		
Date Alert	x10 pts	

Date	Alert		

Take Action—Advocacy

	Points	Total
Total number of attendees from your unit or council at a Kids First Town Hall		
meeting:		
Date/Location		
Date/Location		
Date/Location	x10 pts	
Hosted or co-hosted a Candidate's or legislative forum Date		
Type of Election/position		
Host an elected official** at your school Name of elected official	x35 pts	
	x15 pts	
Total number of members actively recruited for enrollment in the JC/DC network	<i></i>	
(send in a list names and emails)	x5 pts	
Incorporated a Missouri or National PTA Resolution into a program or educational event		
for members		
Resolution	x30 pts	
Total number attending Board of Education Meetings		
Date number of attendees		
Date number of attendees		
Date number of attendees	x5 pts	
Submitted proposed Resolutions by units or council		
Resolution title		
Held a pre-Convention workshop for local unit or council to discuss Missouri PTA	x25 pts	
proposed Resolutions		
Take part in a Voter Registration at your unit/council		
Take part in a Mock Election at your unit		

Total (Minimum 200 points) _____

*Elected officials include any state or federal elected position, e.g.: State Representative or Senator, U.S. Congressman or Senator, Governor, etc.

NOTE: Subject matter must pertain to issues important to children and youth. The applicant in any communication/contact, whether written or oral, must take the position held by National PTA and Missouri PTA. The completed application form with supporting documentation (newsletters, programs, minutes, letters, and copies of e-mails) must be to the MOPTA office and **postmarked on or before August 31.**