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PTA Mission - To make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.



NEW CENTER FOR FAMILY ENGAGEMENT RESOURCES

As summer quickly approaches, the Center for Family Engagement wants to provide you with more resources to amplify your advocacy efforts and help you spark productive discussions with your school leaders. It's never too late to finish the year strong or too early to plan ahead! Explore new resources [here](#) from National PTA. Reach out to us at FamilyEngagement@PTA.org if you have any questions or feedback.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK! MAY 5-9



Teacher Appreciation Week is just around the corner! Missouri PTA appreciates the dedication and volunteering of our teachers to PTA events and more. National PTA resources [Teacher Appreciation Week toolkit](#).

APRIL IS WORLD AUTISM MONTH



Our association believes that all children have the right to a quality public education, which allows each child the opportunity to reach their fullest potential. We are committed to the belief that all children can learn and that school and family collaboration is essential to successful academic and developmental growth.

National PTA has several positions affirming our commitment to supporting students with disabilities. These include positions on (Click links below to learn more):

- [Education of Students with Disabilities](#)
- [High Expectations for Students with Disabilities](#)
- [Inclusive Schools Build Stronger Communities](#)

For more resources and information, explore the work of organizations that are primarily focused on and led by the disability community, including the [Autistic Self Advocacy Network](#), [Autism Society of America](#), and [Autism Speaks](#).

UPCOMING EVENT APRIL 30

Join National PTA's Center for Family Engagement and the Institute for Educational Leadership at 2 p.m. EDT for the final webinar in this season of our webinar series on strengthening family-school partnerships through the National Standards for Family-School Partnerships. [Register now.](#)

Missed the first two webinars? Check them out on YouTube.



It's time to celebrate!

CHRISTIAN OTT ELEMENTARY PTA WELLNESS FAIR \$1250 GRANT WITH WALMART/END OF YEAR CELEBRATION



What a great turnout by the families and community of Christian Ott Elementary. The PTA applied for a National PTA grant and was awarded \$1250 by Walmart to coordinate a Wellness event. The event was connected with an 'End of Year Celebration' by the school staff and donations were made by the PTA unit, as well. Around 200 individuals attended the combined event and a great time was had by all. Especially the bubble station!

BILLINGS PTA CONNECTED: READY, TECH, GO! AT&T \$1500 GRANT



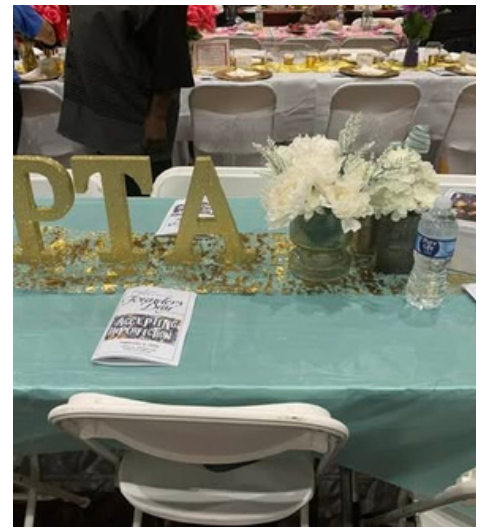
Billings PTA had a small but enthusiastic turnout (probably because of the snow craziness and having to reschedule). Parents and students were able to view the slideshow with our principal and learn the truths and myths about their peers actually having devices as well as talking about reasons for having or not having devices at their age (Pre-K to 6th grade) and development. There was a phone readiness quiz and resources on hand that provided for Q & A time. There were technology door prizes that were given out to the kiddos who attended by a local group and the goody bag of items provided by the National PTA.

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Continue celebrating!

HAZELWOOD COUNCIL PTA FOUNDER'S DAY EVENT - 2/6/25 UPDATE



A district-wide celebration of over 750 attendees. Hosted by the Hazelwood PTA Council in partnership with the Hazelwood School District. Each PTA unit/school had their own table decorated with the National PTA Reflections theme, "Accepting Imperfection" and tailored to each schools' teacher and support staff of the year. It was a fun evening honoring the founding of PTA, celebrating Hazelwood's teachers and support staff of the year and raising money for the Hazelwood PTA Scholarship Program. A huge thank you to all of the Hazelwood PTA units, Hazelwood School District BOE and Administration and community partners who raised almost \$25,000 for the Scholarship Program!