

LOUISIANA PTA OFFICE

All Local PTA Units in Louisiana are affiliates of Louisiana PTA (LAPTA) and National PTA. The Louisiana PTA Board of Directors serves as a resource and support for local units. Thank you for joining PTA as we work to make a difference in our communities. PTA focuses on making every child's potential a reality by strengthening education and taking a comprehensive approach to community success.

Louisiana PTA
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WHAT DOES LAPTA DO?

- Advocates for children at the local, state, and federal levels.
- Makes every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.
- Assists local units in building community through programs that promote student achievement, creativity, and inclusiveness.
- Ensures members of Louisiana Local PTA Units:
 - Have the same purposes and principles as National PTA.
 - Operate according to National PTA's vision, mission, values, and policies.
 - Operate according to National PTA's legislative and advocacy priorities and adopted positions and resolutions.
- Aids the local units in maintaining compliance with National PTA, LAPTA, and IRS rules and requirements.
- Implements National PTA Reflections Program and selects and awards state winners.
- Forwards the National PTA dues portion from Local PTA Units' dues submitted to LAPTA.
- Represents all Louisiana PTA members by participating in and voting at the National PTA Convention and National Legislative Convention.
- Hosts LAPTA Leadership Training in August and privately throughout the year for individual units as needed.
- Offers LAPTA grants to help fund Local PTA Units in providing engaging, educational, and fun opportunities for children, families, and communities.
- Assists PTA members if challenges occur in accomplishing the primary mission of their unit.
- Helps create new PTA units or reinstate unaffiliated units.
- Collaborates with like-minded associations and coalitions supporting children, families, and educators in the state of Louisiana.
- Member of [Louisiana Partnership for Children & Families](#).
- Member of VoterVoice legislative platform.

LOUISIANA PTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The LAPTA Board of Directors is made up of volunteers from Local PTA Units across the state. There are volunteer positions currently available. If you are interested in serving at the state level, contact Kayla Pagel.

President: Kayla Pagel, president@LouisianaPTA.org

Serves as the official contact, communicator, and representative of LAPTA. Works with other PTA leaders and other like-minded state organizations to connect families, schools, and community to support student success.

VP of Affiliation: (Open)

Oversees approval of the Bylaws and compliance with Local Unit Active Affiliation. All work is done through email.

VP of Advocacy: Kaionnia Scott, advocacy@LouisianaPTA.org

Promotes national and state advocacy and legislative programs and activities.

VP of Arts Education: (Open)

Promotes the importance of arts on education and facilitates opportunities for Louisiana students to engage in and be exposed to a variety of art forms.

VP of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: Ree Casey-Jones, dei@LouisianaPTA.org

Promotes inclusion, engagement, and full involvement of diverse populations of LAPTA.

VP of Leadership Development: Jennifer Hale, leader.develop@LouisianaPTA.org

Promotes resources, tools, and programs that support effective and ethical PTA leadership and growth.

VP of Membership: (Open)

Oversees membership initiatives focused on recruitment and retention.

Treasurer: Beth Maillho, treasurer@LouisianaPTA.org

Maintains full account of funds of the association.

Secretary: Meredith Stuntz, secretary@LouisianaPTA.org

Records and maintains the minutes of all meetings of LAPTA.

Historian: Mallory Pell, historian@LouisianaPTA.org

Prepares and updates record of the activities and achievements of LAPTA.

Centennial Celebration Special Committee: Tera Blackledge, 100@LouisianaPTA.org

Oversees the LAPTA State Meeting and Centennial Celebration on March 24 & 25, 2023.

Communications Committee Chair: (Open), communications@LouisianaPTA.org

Creates distinctive and credible messaging for LAPTA on social media platforms.

Spanish Translation Committee: (Open)

Translates the Bylaws template and other files to Spanish.

