

95th Annual West Virginia PTA Convention

“Call to Convention”



*“The Future’s So Bright,
You’re Going to Need Shades!”*

**April 21-22, 2018
(Saturday & Sunday)**

**Bridgeport Conference Center
Bridgeport, WV**

Invitation to Convention

April 21-22, 2018

Dear PTA Presidents and Officers, PTA Members, Teachers, and Principals,

The West Virginia Congress of Parents and Teachers, Inc., hereby calls its members to send delegates and representatives to the 95th Annual West Virginia PTA Convention in Bridgeport, WV, April 21-22, 2018.

On behalf of the West Virginia PTA Board of Managers, I invite and encourage all PTAs to attend this year! Convention is a great opportunity to become more engaged in PTA, attend relevant workshops, receive leadership development, attend the business meetings of the association, and be motivated by outstanding keynote speakers and presenters. The state convention is great for leaders at all levels. Any and all PTA members, including our youth, are welcome to join us!



Kathy Parker
WV PTA President
2017-2019

Whether this will be your first convention or you have attended in the past, convention is rewarding and inspiring! This year, we have listened to your requests and have changed to a Saturday and Sunday convention! You will find a great schedule of events in this Call to Convention that will include with the Awards Banquet featuring Katlin Thorsell, 2018 West Virginia Teacher of the Year, delivering the keynote address, and the Scholarship Auction featuring donations from PTAs across the state!

Professional speakers will present information in a panel discussion on understanding how poverty affects education in West Virginia and how to include ALL parents in their children's educational process. It is our mission to include all families in the PTA and we are eager to continue improving our convention.

The theme of this year's convention, "The Future's So Bright You're Going To Need Shades," focuses on our excitement for the future of our children, and how remaining educated, involved, and connected in our children's lives through the support of the PTA is helping to make the future better! Our convention will conclude with the Student Awards Luncheon, recognizing students from all levels for their work in the Reflections Program, Healthy Recipes Challenge, and, of course, the WV PTA Scholarship Program.

In this Call to Convention, you will find essential items for attending convention which include hotel accommodations, registration form, the tentative schedule of events, and information about our workshops and presenters. I'm looking forward to seeing you at the 95th Annual West Virginia PTA Convention!

Yours in PTA,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kathy Parker".

Kathy Parker
West Virginia PTA President

*The mission of West Virginia PTA is make
every child's potential a reality by
engaging and empowering families and
communities to advocate for all children*



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Friday, April 20, 2018

5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Meet the WV PTA Board

Saturday, April 21, 2018

8:00 am - 8:30 am First Timers' Orientation

8:30 am - 10:00 am **General Session I**
with West Virginia Public
Broadcasting Presentation

9:00 am - 3:00 pm Vendor Hall Open

10:15 am - 11:00 am Breakouts - Session A

11:15 am - 12:00 pm Breakouts - Session B

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Luncheon

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm Dedicated Vendor Time!

2:30 pm - 5:00 pm **General Session II**
with Panel Discussion
"Poverty in WV"

6:00 pm - 6:30 pm Doors Open - Awards Banquet

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Awards Banquet

8:45 pm Scholarship Auction

Sunday, April 22, 2018

8:30 am - 9:15 am Breakouts - Session C

9:30 am - 10:15 am Breakouts - Session D

10:30 am - 11:15 am Breakouts - Session E

12:30 pm - 2:30 pm Student Awards Luncheon

CONVENTION SCHEDULE

*There is a separate schedule for
youth attendees!*

Awards Banquet and Scholarship Auction

Join us to honor students,
volunteers, educators, and
PTAs as they are recognized
for their hard work followed
by our scholarship auction!

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Student Awards Luncheon

The official end of our
convention where the
student award recipients
from Reflections and the
Healthy Recipe Challenge
are celebrated!

YOUTH SCHEDULE



West Virginia PTA welcomes our youth to attend and participate in their own Youth Workshops and activities! Encourage your youth to participate in this year's convention!

Youth Workshops
will include:
learning to paint,
CPR training,
hands-on healthy
food making,
STEM activities
and more!

Saturday, April 21, 2018

8:00 am - 8:30 am	First Timer's Orientation
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Welcome
9:00 am - 10:15 am	CPR Training for Students
10:30 am - 12:00 pm	Learning How to Paint
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Dedicated Vendor Time
2:30 pm - 5:00 pm	BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) Game Time in the Youth Lounge
6:00 pm - 6:30 pm	Doors Open for Awards Banquet
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Awards Banquet followed by the Scholarship Auction

Sunday, April 22, 2018

8:30 am - 9:30 am	Having Fun with STEM!
9:45 am - 11:15 am	Hands-On Healthy Snack Making
12:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Student Awards Luncheon

Bring Your Own Device!

Our Youth will have their own "youth lounge". On Saturday afternoon they will have time to relax and play video games and minute to win it games together!

**WVPTA is not responsible for any loss or damage to electronic devices brought to convention by our youth attendees.*

Registration and Meals

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION PACKAGE!!!!

Postmarked by Monday, April 2, 2018



\$ 90.00 PTA MEMBER PACKAGE INCLUDES THREE (3) MEALS:
Registration Fee; Soup, Salad and Buffet Sandwich Lunch;
Dedicated Vendor Time; Awards Banquet; Student
Awards Luncheon

\$ 60.00 SATURDAY ONLY PTA MEMBER PACKAGE WITH (2) MEALS:
Registration Fee for Saturday workshops and meetings,
and Awards Banquet

\$ 35.00 SUNDAY ONLY PTA MEMBER PACKAGE WITH (1) MEAL:
Registration Fee for Sunday workshops and Student
Awards Luncheon

\$50.00 STUDENT MEMBER PACKAGE OR \$30.00 FOR SATURDAY or SUNDAY ONLY:
Registration Fee, Soup, Salad and Buffet Sandwich Lunch,
and Awards Banquet for Saturday Only; and Student
Awards Luncheon on Sunday.

OPTION 2: REGISTRATION ONLY (with no meals)

Early Bird Registration:

- \$ 60.00 Registration (PTA member)
- \$ 80.00 Registration (Non-PTA member)
- \$ 25.00 Registration (Students)

On-Site Registration or Registration form/payment postmarked after April 2, 2018:

- \$ 80.00 Registration (PTA member)
- \$100.00 Registration (Non-PTA member)
- \$ 35.00 Registration (Students)

NOW ACCEPTING CREDIT CARDS



OPTION 3: MEALS ONLY (with no registration fee)

Saturday Luncheon	\$15.00
Adult - Awards Banquet (Saturday)	\$30.00
Child – Awards Banquet, Ages 10 and under (Saturday)	\$15.00
Student Awards Recognition Luncheon (Sunday)	\$15.00

MEAL DESCRIPTIONS: *Note: Saturday Awards Banquet has 3 choices and a Children's option.*
Please indicate on registration form.

Saturday Luncheon – Deli Sandwiches (ham, turkey or roast beef) with Havarti, Swiss, Provolone, Cheddar, or American Cheese served with your choice of Pretzel Bun, Ciabatta Roll, French Baguette, Multi-grain Baguette, White & Wheat Pullman. You also get salad with Italian Vinaigrette or Buttermilk Ranch and Loaded Potato Soup. House Made Chips will also be available.

Saturday Awards Banquet – Please make your selection from the following choices:

- Herb Roasted Pork Loin with Pork and Port Reduction, Confit Onion Whipped Potatoes, Roasted Root Vegetables with Salad and Dessert
- Taste of Italy: House Made Meatball, Grilled Chicken Breast, Cheese Manicotti, Fresh Steamed Broccoli with Salad and Dessert
- Veggie Selection: Chef's Choice with salad and dessert
- Children's Option: Chicken Strips, French Fries, Fruit Cup and Dessert

Sunday Reflections Luncheon – Rigatoni with meatballs, tossed salad, breadsticks, dessert, and drink.

Hotel Information and Directions

The 2018 West Virginia PTA Convention will be held at the Bridgeport Conference Center, with rooms at the Wingate by Wyndham in Bridgeport. A group rate of \$80 (plus applicable taxes) is available to convention attendees. In order to receive the group rate, **please book your overnight lodging directly with the hotel no later than April 2, 2018**. Remember to identify “CGPTA1” to receive the discounted rate! Price includes double occupancy and increases \$10.00 per person with a maximum of four (4) people per room. For example, four people in a room would cost \$100.00. The Wingate by Wyndham has complimentary parking and wireless Internet throughout the building.

There are refrigerators and microwaves in all rooms. The hotel also provides complimentary breakfast for all hotel guests, as well as popcorn and cookies throughout the day. West Virginia PTA will be providing water and some snack items at the Registration table for conference attendees. Checks payable to The Wingate by Wyndham will be accepted from your local PTA. To avoid sales tax, please bring your completed tax exempt form at check-in.



Wingate by Wyndham
350 Conference Center Way
Bridgeport, WV 26330
(304) 808-1000

www.wyndhamhotels.com/wingate
Group Code: “CGPTA1”

Directions from the Eastern Region:

Take 81 North and turn onto I-70W Exit, Exit 4B, toward Hancock. Merge onto I-68W, Exit 1A on the left toward Cumberland. Merge on to 79 South toward Fairmont/Clarksburg. Take Exit 124, Jerry Dove Drive and turn left off the exit on WV279. Turn left at the 2nd light onto Conference Center Drive. Follow Conference Center Drive left and follow it the Wingate by Wyndham and the Bridgeport Conference Center.

Directions from the Western Region:

Merge onto US-50 East toward Clarksburg. Merge onto I-79N toward Fairmont. Take exit 124, Jerry Dove Drive. Turn right on to WV279. Take a left at the next light on to Conference Center Drive. Follow Conference Center Drive left and follow it the Wingate by Wyndham and the Bridgeport Conference Center.

Directions from the Southern Region:

Merge onto I-64 toward I-77/I-79/Beckley. Merge onto I-77N via exit 59 on the left toward I-79 Parkersburg. Take I-79N via exit 104 toward Clarksburg. Take exit 124, Jerry Dove Drive. Turn right on to WV279. Take a left at the next light on to Conference Center Drive. Follow Conference Center Drive left and follow it the Wingate by Wyndham and the Bridgeport Conference Center.

Directions from the Northern Region:

Merge onto I-70 East toward New Stanton. Merge onto I-79 South via /Exit 21 toward I-79 South/Morgantown. Stay on I-79 South and take Exit 124, Jerry Dove Drive and turn left off the exit on WV279. Turn left at the 2nd light onto Conference Center Drive. Follow Conference Center Drive left and follow it the Wingate by Wyndham and the Bridgeport Conference Center.

Scholarship Auction Donations

The Annual West Virginia PTA Scholarship Auction is being held Saturday, April 21st, immediately following the awards banquet and is open to the public!

Proceeds from the auction benefit the West Virginia PTA Scholarship Fund. Recipients of the West Virginia PTA Scholarship will be recognized during the Awards Banquet on Saturday. All local units, County Councils and individual PTA members are encouraged to donate items to the auction. Please bring your items to the convention. You may leave them at the registration desk upon arrival.

Please remember to label your donation with a tag or card listing your name and/or school and amount of the donated item. For further information, please contact the West Virginia PTA Scholarship Chair, Linda Abercrombie at scholarship@westvirginiapta.org.

Basket theme ideas include:

Gardening Baskets	Cooking
Chocolate Lovers	Italian
Themed Book Lovers	Toys
Game Night	Kitchen Utensil
Movie Night	Food – Cake Pops/Fudge!
Sports	Cookie Baking
Beach	School Supplies
Relaxation	WVU Theme
Dog/Cat	BBQ Lovers
Camping	School Supplies



Registration and PTA Shop

Friday, April 20

5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Registration and PTA Shop

Saturday, April 21

8:00 am - 8:30 am Registration and PTA Shop

9:00 am - 3:00 pm Vendor Expo/Hospitality

10:00 pm - 12:00 pm Registration and PTA Shop

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm Dedicated Vendor Time,
Registration and PTA Shop

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Registration and PTA Shop

Sunday, April 22

8:00 am - 10:00 am Registration and PTA Shop

10:30 am - 12:30 pm Registration and PTA Shop



This year there will be Hospitality Items, provided by the West Virginia PTA. Items will be available during all open hours of the Registration and PTA Shop! It will include snacks, fruit and water throughout the convention for our delegates at the hours listed.

T-Shirt Decorating Contest

T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST

Join your fellow PTA members during General Session II on Saturday by designing and wearing a custom made t-shirt for your PTA showing your spirit!

A prize will be awarded to the individual or group with the best shirt design!

This will be a great opportunity to have fun, network, and learn about your fellow PTA members! All you need to do is come up with a t-shirt design for your delegates to wear at Saturday's General Session!



You are invited to the

West Virginia PTA Student Awards Recognition Luncheon



Honoring

West Virginia PTA Reflections and Student Healthy Recipe Winners

Where: Bridgeport Conference Center

When: Sunday, April 22, 2018

Time: 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm

***Luncheon cost is
included in Early bird
registration package**



Keynote Speakers



Leslie Boggs, National PTA Representative

Leslie Boggs is the President of CarrellBoggs Consulting and Design Coordinator for Miss Cayces Christmas Store. She currently serves on the National PTA Board of Directors. Boggs has over 20 years of leadership experience and previously served at the national level as chair of the National PTA Convention Arrangements Committee, chair of the Nominating and Leadership Development Committee, and as a member of the National Council of States.

At the state level, Boggs serves as the Texas PTA Field Service Representatives for West Texas and has served in several other state, district/council and local PTA and civic leadership positions in Texas and New Mexico. Boggs recently received her certification in Nonprofit Leadership and Management; became a certified DISC trainer and a member of John Maxwell's President Advisory Council. Boggs has three children and four grandchildren. Leslie believes people should always be learning and growing, and that life is all about relationships, living, learning, helping and laughing!

Katlin Thorsell, 2018 West Virginia Teacher of the Year



Katlin Thorsell is an agriculture teacher at Washington High School in Charles Town, West Virginia and the 2018 West Virginia Teacher of the Year. While her main interest is in animal science, she teaches courses in Introduction to Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources, Companion Animal Care, Greenhouse Production and Horticulture. She also serves as a FFA advisor and helps her students develop their leadership potential and grow as individuals.

She received her Masters of Science from West Virginia University in Agriculture with an emphasis on Agriculture and Extension Education. Through her classroom experiences, she has developed an interest in special education and autism and has received additional teaching endorsements in those areas. Thorsell has served on her school's Local School Improvement Council and Guidance Advisory Council and was elected as president of the Faculty Senate. She was the 2015 Teacher Turn the Key representative for West Virginia at the National Association of Agriculture Educators Convention and she currently holds the office of reporter for the West Virginia Association of Agriculture Educators. She serves her community as a volunteer firefighter and EMT as well as a member of the Jefferson County Fair Board of Directors.

She credits a love for the agriculture industry and the insistence of her own high school FFA advisor for her career choice in education. Thorsell hopes that every day she creates a warm and welcoming environment in her classroom and that when her students leave the halls of Washington High School behind, they will always remember that they have someone who truly believes in them.

Kate Fitzgerald, Education Director at WV Public Broadcasting



Kate FitzGerald is the Education Director at West Virginia Public Broadcasting. At the station, her duties include sharing education resources with teachers, libraries and non-profit organizations around the state of West Virginia. She also oversees content development for the education program.

Prior to starting to work with WVPB, Kate served as the Assistant Principal at Charleston Catholic High School, a private high school in Charleston, West Virginia for students from sixth to twelfth grades. Additionally, Kate spent twenty years working in community education, teaching non-profits about self-governance and dispute resolution.

**2017-2018
WEST VIRGINIA PTA**



ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

COUNTY COUNCIL AWARD

LOCAL UNIT AWARD

OUTSTANDING TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD

OUTSTANDING PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR AWARD

OUTSTANDING SERVICE PERSONNEL OF THE YEAR AWARD

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS PARTNER OF THE YEAR AWARD

STAR VOLUNTEER AWARD

LOCAL UNIT GREAT PROGRAM IDEA AWARD

LOCAL UNIT GREAT MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN IDEA AWARD STUDENT'S

GOOD JOB AWARD

SCRAPBOOK AWARD

UNIT STANDARDS ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

NOMINATION FORM

**DEADLINE:
MARCH 15, 2018**

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

WEST VIRGINIA PTA

WWW.WESTVIRGINIAPTA.ORG/AWARDS

MEMBERSHIP@WESTVIRGINIAPTA.ORG

304-420-9576

PTA Convention Workshops

Breakouts

Breakout session times will be in the Convention Program unless otherwise marked in the call to convention

Learning about Grant Opportunities for your PTA!

Presenters: Jennifer Wells, Director; Youth Leadership and Development; Our Children, Our Future Campaign and Jenny Anderson, Director; Families Leading Change

PTAs across the state are learning about the amazing mini-grant opportunities that are available through Families Leading Change. Plan to attend this workshop and find out how your PTA can apply for resources to promote healthy activities, STEM programs, after-school initiatives, and much more!

This breakout will be on Saturday, April 21st

Officer Training (& How to Find Resources)

Presenters: Kathy Parker, WV PTA President and Missy Jones, WV PTA President Elect

This workshop will begin with an abbreviated training for local unit officers-presidents, vice presidents, secretaries and treasurers. Many resources that can help make your job easier will be discussed next. This includes resources on West Virginia PTA's web-site, as well as programs available for communications, membership fee collection, online fundraising, etc. We'll finish with questions, idea-sharing and brainstorming.

Educating our Future Workforce: The Importance of Career and Technical Education

Presenters: Scott Abercrombie, Director of Career Tech and Adult Education; Brooke County Schools and Sandra Hickman and Shari Pfeifer, Co-Founders of "f.i.n.s.2GO"; Huntington High School.

Vocational schools are increasing their presence and the importance of promoting career and technical education is stronger than ever before. Learn about empowering students through simulated workplace, dual enrollment options, career opportunities that are available to our students and the return of investment to our local communities. Also, learn about the "File It Now System" called f.i.n.s.2GO which helps students organize information for colleges, technical schools, and the scholarship application process.

This breakout will be Saturday, April 21st at 11:15 am

Idea Sharing – Membership Campaigns, Programs, and More!

Presenters: Linda Abercrombie & Karen Sherman, West Virginia PTA

Meet with PTA members from around the state and hear about their successful membership campaigns and get fresh, new ideas for your own PTA! This is an "Idea Sharing" workshop so come with your ideas to share with others and learn what has been working with other PTAs from across the state. Our most requested workshop!

How To Build A STEM Innovation Center at Your School!

Presenters: Craig Arnold, WV PTA and Dr. Jared Gump, Blennerhassett Elementary PTA

Learn first-hand how to create a STEM Innovation Center at your school! This workshop will discuss how to obtain the funds, what to include, how it will benefit your school, and everything you need to know from a school that just completed one themselves!

Building a PTA Volunteer Network

Presenters: Katlin Thorsell, 2018 West Virginia Teacher of the Year and Rose Rossana, WV PTA

Learn to understand, engage and attract volunteers to your PTA and what tools can benefit you the most.

Creating PTA Partnerships

Presenter: Rose Rossana and Janelle Sperry, WV PTA

Learn to build PTA partnerships among your school, parents and within your community to accomplish your financial goals, increase membership and beyond.

Try This WV and Special Programs

Presenters: Kathy Prunty or Stephen Smith, Try This WV and Stacy Wine or Jean Anne Goodman, Modern Woodsman Financial

Come learn about the fantastic work being done around the state by grassroots organizations with the help from Try This WV. Also learn about some wonderful, free, educational opportunities that Modern Woodsman Financial can provide to your local unit.

Leading the PTA Way

Presenter: Leslie Boggs, National PTA Representative

What does it mean to be a PTA leader? Together, we will define effective and ethical PTA leadership. Then, we'll examine real-PTA scenarios and discuss how to welcome all families, communicate effectively, focus your PTA's efforts on student success and school improvements, and strengthen relationships throughout your school and community. Throughout the discussion, you will appraise your own leadership style, and leave with a roadmap for sharing power, leading positively through conflict, and achieving your PTA's goals.

Engaging Families through National PTA Programs

Presenter: Leslie Boggs, National PTA Representative

Explore how you can engage families in STEM, healthy lifestyles, arts and more through a hands-on tour of National PTA's signature programs. Sample some of the fun you will create at your school while you empower families with the tools they need to support student success. Gain program ideas, as well as grants available to support your efforts.

If you would like more information on the session schedule contact Beth Anderson, Convention Chair at resourcedevelopment@westvirginispta.org



Check out the Panel Discussion!

“Poverty in West Virginia: How it Effects Schools and PTAs”

Saturday, April 21, 2018 – General Session 2

We will be hosting a panel discussion on poverty and how it effects our schools and PTAs.

Voting Credential Information

All PTA members are eligible to be credentialed to vote in the business portions of the Annual West Virginia PTA Convention. The West Virginia PTA Bylaws state:

Article XIX, Section 2. Voting Body.

- a. The meetings of the West Virginia PTA convention shall be open to all members, upon payment of a registration fee determined by the West Virginia PTA Executive Committee, but the privilege of making motions, debating, and voting shall be limited to members of the board of managers, presidents of county councils or alternates chosen by their councils and accredited delegates or alternates from each local PTA unit. A voting member shall have but one vote although entitled to vote in any of several capacities. The courtesy of the floor may be extended to registered visitors and guest speakers at the discretion of the chair.
- b. Each local unit in good standing as shown by March 1 current year by the books of the state treasurer, shall be entitled to be represented at the West Virginia PTA convention by its president or alternate and by one voting delegate or alternate for every twenty-five (25) members, or fraction thereof.
- c. Each council president, or their alternate chosen by the council is a voting member of the West Virginia PTA convention.

Local Unit Voting Delegate Allotment

Number of Members	Number of Voting Delegates
1-25	2
26-50	3
51-75	4
76-100	5
101-125	6
126-150	7
151-175	8
176-200	9
201-225	10
226-250	11
251-275	12
276-300	13
301-325	14
326-350	15

SPECIAL NOTE:

We will not be mailing out “voting credential cards” in this Call to Convention. In the past, these cards needed to be filled out and signed by the Local Unit/County Council President and the delegate and presented at the registration table.

We have added a section to the registration form which indicates if you are registering as a voting delegate. Your unit president **MUST** sign the registration form in the appropriate place to confirm your eligibility to vote on behalf of your unit. Eliminating this extra step will save the West Virginia PTA money on printing and postage, which can now be allocated in more efficient ways.

See chart above to determine how many voting delegates to which your unit is entitled. Your PTA may and is encouraged to send additional attendees to Convention above the number of your entitled voting delegates. Even though they will not be eligible to vote, the convention is a valuable experience for all PTA members and they will still receive training and workshop experiences. **If your local unit or county council submits registration forms with voting delegates that exceed the total number allowed, we will contact the President of your unit to make the appropriate corrections.** If you have any questions, please contact the office by emailing office@westvirginiapta.org.

Upon presentation of your membership card at the registration desk at Convention, each voting delegate shall receive their voting delegate card, which is the card that signifies their voting status during this convention. Delegates have the opportunity to vote on decisions that affect West Virginia PTA and local PTAs, including their leadership and organizational structure. It is very important to ensure that every local unit is represented at convention. The items presented to the convention delegates can be found in this Call to Convention.

Convention Reminders

Did you remember...

- ✓ Hotel Reservation
(before April 2nd for discounted hotel rate)
- ✓ Registration for each PTA delegate
(before April 2nd for early discount rates)
- ✓ Checks payable to the West Virginia PTA
- ✓ Bring your PTA membership card to convention
- ✓ Pack casual clothing for workshops
- ✓ Bring completed tax-exempt form when registering at Wyngate
- ✓ T-shirt contest entries
- ✓ Themed basket donation for Scholarship Auction



WHAT DO I WEAR AT THE CONVENTION?

This is your convention. We want you to be comfortable. The dress for convention is casual for all workshops and general sessions. You may wear business casual or dressy clothing for the awards banquet but formal clothing is not needed. No jeans or shorts at the awards banquet, please.

WHY SHOULD YOUR PTA SEND DELEGATES TO THE CONVENTION?

This is the place where your unit has the opportunity to affect the business of the state PTA, energize your leaders, obtain valuable PTA training, attend workshops from professional speakers on the latest topics in education, network with other PTA members from across the state and idea share!

WHAT HAPPENS AT CONVENTION?

You will attend business sessions and vote on PTA matters. You will hear exciting speakers, attend informative workshops, and meet with fellow PTA members from across West Virginia. You will also meet and spend time talking with the West Virginia PTA Board of Managers and National PTA Representatives. Convention is also a time to reward all of your hard work and celebrate local unit awards, congratulate Reflections and Student Healthy Recipe winners and Scholarship winners during various events.

WHO SHOULD PAY FOR DELEGATES TO ATTEND?

Convention expenses should have been included in your budget. Convention is an investment in the future leadership of individual PTAs. If you do not have a line item for convention, you may amend your budget. (Check your bylaws for details).

PTA SHOP

Convention is a great time to buy a gift for your outgoing officers. What a nice remembrance of the year to give a pin or gift to outgoing/incoming officers, chairpersons, principals and/or school staff! Show everyone you are proud to be involved in PTA. We are now accepting credit cards at convention!

2018 West Virginia PTA Convention Registration Form

A separate form is required for each registrant. This form may be duplicated. **Advanced Registration must be received by April 2, 2018,** to receive discounted registration fees. The availability of meal tickets cannot be guaranteed to late or walk-in registrants. Multiple registrations may be paid together with one check, but please use separate forms for each person. If you have any special dietary restrictions or require special accommodations to fully participate in this year's convention, please indicate, in detail, on the back of this form. **IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE AN EMAIL CONFIRMATION THAT YOUR FORM WAS RECEIVED, PLEASE EMAIL: resourcedevelopment@westvirginiapta.org**

Contact Information

Name (as it should appear on badge): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Local PTA/Council representing (only one): _____ Region: _____

I will be a voting delegate at this year's convention representing my PTA _____ Yes _____ No

_____ (Unit President's Signature confirming voting delegate)

Please let us know if any of the following apply to you:

_____ This will be my first state convention _____ I am a West Virginia PTA Life Member _____ I am a National PTA Life Member

Deadline for advanced registration discount is April 2, 2018

☐ PTA Early Bird Member Package (The Biggest Savings!)

- \$90.00 (Includes Registration, Saturday Luncheon, Awards Banquet, and Student Awards Luncheon.)
- \$60.00 Saturday Only Package (Breakouts A and B, General Session I and II, Buffet Lunch and Awards Banquet)
- \$35.00 Sunday Only Package (Breakouts C and D, and Student Awards Luncheon)

☐ Student Member Package

- \$50.00 (Includes Registration, Saturday Luncheon, Awards Banquet, and Student Awards Luncheon.)
- \$30.00 for Saturday Only (Youth Track Saturday Sessions, General Session I and II, Buffet Lunch and Awards Banquet)
- \$30.00 for Sunday Only (Youth Track Sunday Sessions and Student Awards Luncheon)

☐ Individual Event Purchases (if not purchasing package above)

- \$60.00 Registration Only (PTA Member, no meals)
- \$80.00 Registration Only (Non PTA Member, no meals)
- \$25.00 Student Registration Only (no meals)

Additional Guest Meal Tickets:

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|---|--------------|-------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday Luncheon: | \$15.00 each | Number requested: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Awards Banquet: | \$30.00 each | Number requested: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student Awards Luncheon: | \$15.00 each | Number requested: _____ |

Awards Banquet Entrée Choice

- ☐ Herb Roasted Pork Loin
- ☐ Taste of Italy
- ☐ Vegetarian Selection
- ☐ Children's Option

Mail form and payment to:
West Virginia PTA
Attn: Convention
PO Box 3557
Parkersburg, WV 26103

OR VISIT
www.westvirginiapta.org
to register online and
make payment!

NOW ACCEPTING CREDIT CARDS



TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____