Please Join Us for Kentucky PTA’s Convention/Leadership 2014
Friday & Saturday, July 18 - 19, 2014
Saber & Quill at Fort Knox, Kentucky

Energize your PTA/PTSA by joining us July 18 - 19 at Fort Knox, Kentucky for our annual convention and leadership event. You will meet PTA leaders from all over Kentucky. There will be more than 30 workshops to attend and you can meet National PTA President Otha Thornton. There will be a silent auction, vendors to visit, and shopping at the PTA store. Your 2014-2015 Leaders Packet, which contains membership cards and other valuable materials, will be available to pick up.

Convention/Leadership is open to all PTA members in Kentucky. It is a legitimate expense and should be provided for in your PTA budget. It is a worthwhile investment in the future leadership and success of your PTA/PTSA. I look forward to seeing all of you there!

-- Edward Squires

President, Kentucky PTA

SILENT AUCTION AT CONVENTION/LEADERSHIP

There will be a silent auction during our Convention/Leadership. It is a fundraising effort supported by donations from individuals, our local PTAs, board members, businesses and many tourist attractions. This year the money raised at the silent auction will go to support the Kentucky PTA Headquarters support fund, which is responsible for the upkeep and any repairs necessary at our state office building. We have really had some amazing donations in the past. Many have been theme baskets. Some ideas for a basket include an outdoor theme, crafts, sports, games, books, home décor, toys, and entertainment gifts. Please consider bringing a donation for the silent auction to help support our Headquarters support fund. Any item would be appreciated.

Education Advocates Praise Kentucky Budget

On June 10 the Kentucky Education Action Team (KEAT) hosted a reception for Governor Steve Beshear at the Capitol to express their gratitude to the Governor and the General Assembly for reinvesting in K-12 education in the next biennial budget. KEAT is a group made up of several state associations for parents, teachers and school officials that joined together to advocate to restore school funding. Kentucky PTA is a member of KEAT. This additional money will be spent to raise salaries for teachers and other school employees; and for technology, textbooks, and teacher training.

Congratulations!

On May 17, 2014, the Kentucky PTA Student Recognition Awards Ceremony was held at Elkhorn Middle School in Frankfort, Kentucky. We want to congratulate the student winners. A complete list of winners is included in this issue.
National PTA President Testifies on Child Nutrition Programs at Senate Agriculture Committee Hearing

On June 12, 2014, National PTA® President Otha Thornton, accompanied by National PTA Legislative Chair Stella Edwards and National PTA government affairs staff, brought the voice of millions of families and child advocates to Capitol Hill, testifying before the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry at a hearing titled, *A National Priority: The Importance of Child Nutrition Programs to Our Nation’s Health, Economy and National Security*. In his testimony, President Thornton underscored the importance of working together and continuing to improve child nutrition programs to make a difference for students, families, schools and communities.

“We have made a commitment to our children for more than 70 years to do right by them in the cafeteria, and we cannot turn our backs now,” said President Thornton. “As partners in the school building, PTA and parents understand that there are challenging realities – there’s never enough time, seldom enough money and oftentimes minimal resources. But that has never and can never be a free pass to not do what is best for our kids.”

“Schools are making exceptional progress in the nutritional quality of the meals they are serving to our kids,” President Thornton added. “Together, we can find solutions to the challenges to support our schools and ensure the continued success of our nation’s child nutrition programs, which is critical for students' success.”

In 2010, Congress passed the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act, which directed the U.S. Department of Agriculture to improve the nation’s child nutrition programs. The Act requires that schools make updates to serve healthier food to students during the school day, including a la carte lines, vending machines and school stores. The Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry currently is considering the reauthorization of child nutrition programs, which is due in 2015.

“The decisions made during this reauthorization will impact our schools, hospitals, economy, military, homes, and most importantly, our kids,” said President Thornton. “High quality national nutrition programs are critical to the future of our children and also our country.”

PTA members and families play an important role in helping schools implement improved meal and snack offerings. National PTA and its constituents are committed to working at the federal, state and local levels to strengthen programs that promote healthy school environments and enhance the nutritional health of our nation’s children.

National PTA School of Excellence is a recognition program that supports and celebrates partnerships between PTAs and schools to enrich the educational experience and overall well-being for all students.

As a National PTA School of Excellence, families feel welcomed and empowered to support student success, and PTA is a key partner for continuous school improvement.

By participating in this program, your PTA and school will gain new ways to engage families in school decision-making, such as improvements to programs, practices, and policies related to education, health, safety or the arts.

**Enrollment for the 2014-2015 school year will open in April 2014.** Contact [excellence@pta.org](mailto:excellence@pta.org) for more info.

**What does it take to become a National PTA School of Excellence?**

1) Enroll your PTA between **April 1 and Oct. 1, 2014**. You will receive the “Getting Started Guide”, which describes program components, including your first steps to gather feedback from families and set goals with your school partner.

2) Survey your school community and share the results with National PTA by submitting a Family-School Partnership Scan by **Nov. 1, 2014**.

3) Receive a customized "Roadmap to Excellence" containing recommendations that respond to your specific results from the Family-School Partnership Scan.

4) Complete the National PTA School of Excellence application before **June 1, 2015**.

5) Celebrate your excellence! All National PTA School of Excellence recipients will receive a toolkit to support celebration activities.

In the 2014-2015 school year, put your school on the National PTA School of Excellence map.

[http://www.pta.org/programs/content.cfm?ItemNumber=3584&navItemNumber=508](http://www.pta.org/programs/content.cfm?ItemNumber=3584&navItemNumber=508)
In order for more Kentucky students to achieve success by reaching college- and career-readiness standards, we must have a highly effective teacher in every classroom, a highly effective leader in every school, a highly effective leader in every school district.

The Kentucky Board of Education took a major step toward making this happen when it approved the regulation governing the Professional Growth and Effectiveness System (PGES) this spring. The PGES includes slightly different systems for teachers, principals and superintendents, yet all are aligned and with a common goal – continuous improvement toward becoming the most effective educators in order to prepare all of our students for success.

The PGES is part of a larger reform agenda that was triggered by passage of Senate Bill 1 in 2009. This bill addressed key elements of the education system in Kentucky – standards, assessment, accountability, teacher professional development, and a balanced approach to a world class education. Kentucky has moved forward and has led the nation in the implementation of standards, assessments, and accountability.

The final piece of the system is the human resource piece which addresses the capacity and the capability of all Kentucky educators to implement the standards, assessments, and accountability components so that all students reach their full potential and graduate from high school ready for college and careers. It has taken more than four years of careful planning, hard work, negotiation, testing and tweaking by our teacher, principal and superintendent effectiveness committees, Kentucky Department of Education staff and the Kentucky Board of Education to get to this point.

Full implementation of the Professional Growth and Effectiveness System without personnel consequences will roll out for teachers, leaders and superintendents during the 2014-15 school year, unless a district has chosen to move forward and adopt PGES as its Certified Evaluation Plan for the 2014-15 school year. In the 2015-16 school year, the effectiveness system will be used for personnel decisions at all levels in all districts that haven’t applied for and been approved to use a comparable, alternate system.

Implementation of our educator effectiveness system will require significant changes and intensive training, but the benefits are many. Superintendents will be much more engaged in instructional and planning processes with their principals and school councils. Principals will be more involved in monitoring instruction and providing feedback to teachers to help them improve. Teachers will be looking for models and exemplars of powerful instruction that help more students succeed. This system will standardize how teachers are evaluated across the state, will change the focus from one of a perfunctory evaluation to effectiveness. What the state values as outcomes for children will now be the focus of effectiveness discussions from the board room to the classroom.

I hope Kentucky educators recognize how important their role is and will be in advancing education reform efforts that make sense to improve the education system for ALL children and educators. I tip my hat to all of the tremendous work that Kentucky educators have done and will continue to do to this end. For parents, I hope you recognize and support the work of teachers as they strive to enhance what they are doing in the classroom and set goals not just for their students, but themselves. A few years down the road, if Kentucky stays committed to the system developed, we will see significant growth in student achievement similar to the improvements we have seen in graduation rates and college/career-readiness rates.

A Focus on Effectiveness and Continuous Improvement

Terry Holliday
Kentucky Education Commissioner
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**Friday, July 18, 2014**

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**SUBJECT TO FINAL CHANGES**

KENTUCKY PTA BULLETIN  
Visit us at [www.kypta.org](http://www.kypta.org)  
July 2014
Submit a separate registration form for each attendee or guest.

Name: ________________________________________ E-mail: ____________________________________________

Mailing address of attendee: ____________________________________________________________

PTA/PTSA name: _________________________ PTA/PTSA District: _______

Officer Position for ’14-’15: _________________________ Phone number: ________________________________

Emergency contact: _________________________ Emergency phone number: _________________________

Select one of the following:

If registering on or before June 1st, registration fees are as follows:

___ Registration: $89   ___ Student registration: $65

If registering after June 1st, registration fees are as follows:

___ Registration: $125   ___ Student registration: $75

Please select all of the following that apply:

___ Voting Member   ___ First time Convention/Leadership attendee   ___ Life Recognition Member

Registration includes: admittance to all workshops, Exhibit Hall, PTA Store, Friday luncheon, Friday Life Recognition and Awards dinner, and Saturday luncheon.

Additional meals for guests may be purchased at a cost of $25 per person.

___ Friday Luncheon
___ Friday Life Recognition Dinner
___ Saturday Luncheon

By submitting this registration form, I give my permission to Kentucky PTA to use photos taken of myself during Convention/Leadership for Kentucky PTA publications, its website, and its social media sites such as Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest. _____ (Initial here)

Amount enclosed: $_______________ Vegetarian option (Y/N): _____

Please mail all forms and checks payable to:

Kentucky PTA
P.O. Box 654
Frankfort, KY 40602-0654
502-226-6607

kyptapattyh@bellsouth.net

A block of rooms has been reserved by Kentucky PTA at the Gold Vault Inn for $75.90 including taxes.

Please call 1-800-266-2104 to make reservations.

No refunds after June 15th. Registrations may be transferred. Please notify Kentucky PTA in the event of a transfer.
Kentucky PTA Creative Interpretation Awards

Dance Choreography
Shayda Alsalihi
Liberty Elementary School, 16th District

Film Production
Jacob Brizendine
Oldham County Middle School, 13th District

Literature
Hayley Miller
Bryan Station High School, 16th District

Music Composition
Colin Crothers
Noe Middle School, 15th District

Photography
Jackson Gonzales
Liberty Elementary, 16th District

Visual Arts
Orka Sinha
Tates Creek Middle School, 16th District

Kentucky Entries Advanced To National PTA

Dance Choreography
High: Norah Mattingly, Dupont Manual
Intermediate: Ellie Avery, Greathouse
Middle: Hadley Fischer, North Oldham
Primary: Arabella Bertucci, Reiley
Special Artist: Wyatt Logsdon, PRP High

Film Production
High: Emily Skelton, South Oldham
Intermediate: Drew Mangas, Ashland
Middle: Ashley Wilder, Kammerer
Primary: Lillian Hale, Stephens
Special Artist: Hailey Dixon, Camp Taylor Elem.

Literature
High: Alice Li, Paul L. Dunbar
Intermediate: Shubh Gupta, Brandeis
Middle: Matthew Edwards, Lexington Trad Magnet
Primary: Tanvi Rakesh, Longbranch
Special Artist: Tanner Walden, Taylor Mill Elem.

Music Composition
High: Alyssa Dewey, North Oldham
Intermediate: Mina Ryumae, New Haven
Middle: Ken Ryumae, Gray
Primary: Sienna Underwood, Norton

Photography
High: Ashley Coffey, Henry Clay
Intermediate: Logan Albrinck, Thornwilde
Mid: Ken Ryumae, Gray
Primary: Madalyn Kelly, Eastern Elem.
Special Artist: Mark Marji, Edythe J Hayes El.

Visual Arts
High: Joanna Slusarewicz, Paul L. Dunbar
Intermediate: Sophia Zhou, Veterans Park
Mid: Mackenzie Smith, Highland
Primary: Kelly Yang, Rosa Parks
Special Artist: Madison Murphy, Ryle High

NATIONAL PTA REFLECTIONS AWARD WINNERS

Award of Merit
Dance Choreography: Middle: Hadley Fischer, North Oldham Middle

Award of Excellence
Film Production: Intermediate: Drew Mangas, Ashland El.

Award of Excellence
Film Production: Primary: Lillian Hale, Stephens Elementary

Award of Merit
Photography: Primary: Madalyn Kelly, Eastern Elementary

KENTUCKY PTA SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS
Harold Steele $1000.00 Student Scholarship
Elizabeth Griffin, Oldham County High School, 13th

$500 Student Scholarship
Atlanta Hayden, Academy at Shawnee High, 15th
Miranda Mitchell, Academy at Shawnee High, 15th
Hayley Pack, Pleasure Ridge Park High, 15th
Sydney Rhodes, Academy at Shawnee High, 15th
Kendall Ross, Oldham County High, 13th
DeShaun Wood, Academy at Shawnee High, 15th
Teacher Member Scholarship
Terri Griffin, LaGrange Elementary, 13th
Bethany Schooler, East Oldham Middle, 13th

Congratulations to each recipient. To the students, we wish you success as you continue your studies and prepare for careers in education fields. To the teachers, we appreciate all you do for the students in your school community.

All proceeds from Honorary Life Recognitions, Student Leadership Recognitions, memorial donations, and designated gifts for scholarships are used for Kentucky PTA scholarships.

Self Esteem Awards
Primary Division

Awards of Excellence
Harper Grizzle, Russell Primary, 26th
Kendall Queen, Russell Primary, 26th
Layla Carlisle, Russell Primary, 26th

Awards of Merit
Norah Crothers, Chenoweth El, 15th
Gabriella Watson, North Pointe, El, 14th

Intermediate Division

Awards of Excellence
Grace Liby, Chenoweth El, 15th
Demitria Watson, North Pointe El, 14th
Sarah Kaiser, North Pointe El, 14th

Awards of Merit
Ella Murray, White’s Tower El, 14th
Niko Heister, Longbranch El, 14th
Abdourahmane Kounta, Thornwilde El, 14th

Middle School Division

Awards of Excellence
Sarah Partington, East Oldham Middle, 13th
Claudia Ojeda, Noe Middle, 15th
Michael Hill, Noe Middle, 15th
Clare Rose, East Oldham Middle, 13th
Nicola Ansell, Noe Middle, 15th

Awards of Merit
Ashley Coulter, Twenhofel Middle, 14th
Ainsley Hoh, Gray Middle, 14th
Emily Girard, Twenhofel Middle, 14th

Senior High Division

Award of Excellence
James Brown, Jr., Bryan Station High School, 16th

Senior High Division – Special Needs

Award of Excellence
Christopher Revis, The Learning Center at Linlee, 16th

“What Makes Me Feel Special” is the theme for the Primary, Intermediate, Middle/Junior High, and Special Needs categories for Kentucky PTA’s Self Esteem Award. The theme for high school students is “Who I Am Inside”. Each student’s entry (an essay, story, or poem not to exceed 500 words) must be the original work of the student and express ideas and feelings about people, places, and experiences that make each applicant feel special.

“Christa McAuliffe” RISING STAR AWARDS

Elementary Division

Awards of Excellence
Andrea Perks, Farmer El, 15th
Tyler Bussell, LaGrange El, 13th
Isabella Lindberg, Centerfield El, 13th

Awards of Merit
Abby Blanton, Centerfield El, 13th
Emma Campbell, Centerfield El, 13th
Audrey Doyon, Centerfield El 13th

Middle/Jr. High Division

Awards of Excellence
Viridiana Sibaja Zarate, Lexington Trad Middle, 16th
Oceanne Guy, East Oldham Middle, 13th
Mikayla Fuller, East Oldham Middle, 13th
Cheyenne Aldridge, East Oldham Middle, 13th

Senior High School Division

Awards of Excellence
Siera Coffee, Academy at Shawnee High, 15th
Brandon Lee, Oldham County High, 13th

Special Needs Division

Elementary Division

Awards of Excellence
Michael Lance, Centerfield El, 13th
Madilyn McKenzie, Stephens El, 14th
Carter Wallin, Centerfield El, 13th

Middle/Jr.High

Awards of Excellence
Austin Ransdell, East Oldham Middle, 13th
Benjamin Lewis, Centerfield El, 13th

Kentucky PTA’s “Christa McAuliffe” Rising Star Award is given to recognize students who have successfully worked to improve their grades, attendance, attitude, character, and/or self-esteem. The object of this award is to help students feel good about themselves and their achievements.

2013-2014 Kentucky PTA Reflections

Literature

Primary Division

Award of Excellence
Tanvi Rakesh, Longbranch, 14th
April Meredith, Smyrna, 15th
Belle Blevins, La Grange, 13th

Award of Merit
Mimi Santalucia, Wellington Elem, 16th
Intermediate Division
Award of Excellence
Shubh Gupta, Brandeis, 15th
Sarah Kaiser, North Pointe Elem, 14th
Summer Lalley, Eastern Elem, 12th

Award of Merit
Phenex Schwarz-Ward, Maxwell Elementary, 16th
Summer Lalley, Eastern Elem, 12th

Middle Division
Award of Excellence
Matthew Edwards, Lexington Traditional Magnet, 16th
Heather Woodie, Royal Springs Middle, 12th
Melinda Shay, Royal Springs Middle, 12th

Award of Merit
Derrick Carr, Royal Springs Middle, 12th
Macy France, Royal Springs Middle, 12th

Senior High Division
Award of Excellence
Alice Li, Paul Dunbar High, 16th
Hayley Miller, Bryan Station High, 16th
Emily Wiehoff, Ryle High, 14th

Award of Merit
Kendall Atchison, Oldham County High, 13th
Harper Hempel, Ryle High, 14th

Special Artist Division
Award of Excellence
Tanner Walden, Taylor Mill Elem, 14th
Madison Murphy, Ryle High, 14th
Lalatae Prostell, Wilkerson Elem, 15th

2013-2014 Kentucky PTA Reflections
Dance Choreography
Primary Division
Award of Excellence
Arabella Bertucci, Reiley Elem, 14th
Jessica Mukhopadhyay, Picadome, 16th
Lily Brooke, Pearson, Ashland Elem, 16th

Award of Merit
Noah Kavorkian, Crestwoode, 13th
Olivia Shuler, Lincoln, 15th

Intermediate Division
Award of Excellence
Ellie Avery, Greathouse, 15th
Elizabeth Moore, Ashland Elem, 16th
Shayda Alsalihi, Liberty, 16th

Award of Merit
Maclain Murdock, New Haven, 14th
Laykin Stoess, Camde Station, 13th

Middle Division
Award of Excellence
Hadley Fischer, North Oldham Middle, 13th
Loghan Currin, Twenhofel Middle, 14th
Elora Mukhopadhyay, Lexington Traditional Magnet, 16th

Award of Merit
Taylor Hurley, Twenhofel Middle, 14th
Jenna Reed, Tates Creek Middle, 16th

Senior High Division
Award of Excellence
Norah Mattingly, Dupont, 15th
Kaitlyn Eleniak, Ryle High, 14th
Rachel Frailey, South Oldham, 13th

Special Artist Division
Award of Excellence
Wyatt Logsdon, PRP, 15th

2013-2014 Kentucky PTA Reflections
Film Production
Primary Division
Award of Excellence
Lillian Hale, Stephens Elem, 14th
Sofia Sweazy, Ashland Elementary, 16th

Intermediate Division
Award of Excellence
Drew Mangas, Ashland Elementary, 16th
Sophia Tillman, Eminence, 13th
Audrey Richards, Erpenbeck Elem, 14th

Award of Merit
Cullen Batsel, Dunn, 15th
Neely Johnston, Rosa Parks Elem, 16th

Middle Division
Award of Excellence
Ashley Wilder, Kammerer, 15th
Jacob Brizendine, Oldham County Middle, 13th
Erin Inouye, Tates Creek Middle, 16th

Award of Merit
Emily Luddy, Lexington Traditional Magnet, 16th
Senior High Division

Award of Excellence
Emily Skelton, South Oldham, 13th
Katie Freeman, Ryle High, 14th
John Grijalbo, South Oldham, 13th

Award of Merit
Hillary Reskin, Ballard, 15th
Zach Cupery, Ballard, 15th

Special Artist Division

Award of Excellence
Hailey Dixon, Camp Taylor, 15th
Norah Forsyth, Taylor Mill Elem, 14th

2013-2014 Kentucky PTA Reflections
Musical Composition
Primary Division

Award of Excellence
Sienna Underwood, George Norton, 15th
Tanvi Rakesh, Longbranch, 14th
Oliver Copeland, Ashland Elementary, 16th

Award of Merit
Bella Hawley, Sandersville Elem, 16th

Intermediate Division

Award of Excellence
Mina Ryumae, New Haven, 14th
Olivia Cseh, Locust Grove, 13th
Emily Seng, Rosa Parks Elem, 16th

Award of Merit
Noah Katz, Tates Creek Elem, 16th
Nicholas Childs, Smyrna, 15th

Middle Division

Award of Excellence
Ken Ryumae, Gray Middle, 14th
Colin Crothers, Noe, 15th
Jeffrey Shen, Winburn Middle, 16th

Award of Merit
Kate Myrup, Morton, 16th
Taylor Hurley, Twenhofel Middle, 14th

Senior High Division

Award of Excellence
Alyssa Dewey, North Oldham High, 13th
Andrew Ramsey, Eastern, 15th
Alex Constante, North Oldham High, 13th

2013-2014 Kentucky PTA Reflections
Photography
Primary Division

Award of Excellence
Madalyn Kelly, Eastern Elementary, 12th
Hank Riedling, Coleridge-Taylor, 15th
Sophie Popham, Albert E Bowen, 15th

Award of Merit
Olivia Caudill, Liberty, 16th
Ethan Lalley, Eastern Elementary, 12th

Intermediate Division

Award of Excellence
Logan Albrinck, Thornwilde Elem, 14th
Jackson Gonzales, Liberty, 16th
Sam Gifford, Eastern Elementary, 12th

Award of Merit
Kayla Hiatt, Taylor Mill Elem, 14th
Kierra Bradley, Eastern Elem, 12th

Middle Division

Award of Excellence
Ken Ryumae, Gray Middle, 14th
Mason Gohde, Bryan Station, 16th
Alexx Addington, North Oldham Middle, 13th

Award of Merit
Kiera Carlisle, Royal Springs Middle School, 12th
Alexx Addington, North Oldham Middle, 13th

Senior High Division

Award of Excellence
Ashley Coffey, Henry Clay, 16th
Kaitlyn Eleniak, Ryle High, 14th
Danielle Burke, PRP, 15th

Award of Merit
Igor Polegkiy, North Oldham, 13th

Special Artist Division

Award of Excellence
Mark Marji, Edith J Hayes, 16th
Juliet Leach, Field, 15th
Madison Murphy, Ryle High, 14th

Award of Merit
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Noah Wampler, Westport, 15th
2013-2014 Kentucky PTA Reflections

Visual Arts

Primary Division

Award of Excellence
Kelly Yang, Rosa Parks Elem, 16th
Maren Dunn, Pride Avenue Elementary, 4th
Rylee Gennaro, Locust Grove, 13th

Award of Merit
Aaron Levinson, Crestwoode, 13th
Lily "Grace" Palmerton, Lemons Mill, 12th

Intermediate Division

Award of Excellence
Sophia Zhou, Veterans Park, 16th
Madison Roberts, Eastern Elementary, 12th
Cooper Alexander, Wilkerson Elem, 15th

Award of Merit
Evan Mcqueary, Piner Elem, 14th
Itzel Beltran, Eastern Elementary, 12th

Middle Division

Award of Excellence
Mackenzie Smith, Highland, 15th
Orko Sinha, Tates Creek, 16th
Hannah Stovall, Oldham County, 13th

Award of Merit
Anya Hartman, Tates Creek, 16th
Michael France, Royal Springs, 12th

Senior High Division

Award of Excellence
Joanna Slusarewicz, Paul Dunbar High School, 16th
Alexandra King, Ryle High, 14th
Josie Meyer, Campbell County High, 14th

Award of Merit
Bailey Record, Eminence, 13th
Anna Bischof-Bryant, PRP, 15th

Special Artist Division

Award of Excellence
Madison Murphy, Ryle High, 14th
Timmy Peak, PRP, 15th
Mark Marji, Edythe J Hayes, 16th

Award of Merit
Elsie Wright, Gutermuth, 15th
Trayten Holbrook, White's Tower Elem, 14th

Kentucky PTA Reflections Theme Search Winners
"Amaze Me" Jackson Gonzales, Liberty Elementary PTA
PTA President Dale Young, 16th District

"Walk in my shoes" Jackson Gonzales, Liberty Elementary PTA
PTA President Dale Young, 16th District

"Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow" Kacie Hughes, Edythe J Hayes
Middle PTSA
President/Reflections Chair Lynne Washbish, 16th District

"The Beauty of Nature" Kameron Grisgby, Lexington Traditional Middle PTSA
PTA President/Reflections Chair Vanessa Meredith, 16th District

"Believe in America" Jackson Gonzales, Liberty Elementary PTA
PTA President Dale Young, 16th District

October 15th is the deadline each year for students to submit theme entries to be used for future year National PTA Reflections Theme. These are submitted to Kentucky PTA and five are selected for submission to National PTA.

The 2016-2017 Theme form will be in the 2014-2015 Kentucky PTA Leaders’ Notebook and on our website www.kypta.org.

THANK YOU

Thanks go to:

Elkhorn Middle School Staff and PTA.

All the teachers, faculty, and parents who worked with and encouraged the students to submit entries.

The PTA volunteers - local, district, and state - for supporting the student recognition programs. Without your dedication these programs would not be possible.

The varied professionals who served on the judging panels.

North Oldham High School student Alex Constante for designing the program cover.

Royal Spring Middle School student Christian Cook for preparing the Reflections slide show.

And the following sponsors who helped to make this celebration possible:

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## Required

### 2013-2014 Financial Review Form  
(formerly Audit Report Form)

**Deadline: August 15, 2014***

ALL PTAs/PTSAs MUST FILE WITH THE IRS - E-MAIL IRS Form 990 N DUE by 11/15/2014 if your income is normally less than $50,000

If your income was $50,000 to $200,000 complete 990-EZ, with Schedule A and Schedule B, if necessary, DUE to the IRS by 11/15/2014

If your income is over $200,000 complete 990 with Schedule A and Schedule B, if necessary, DUE to IRS by 11/15/2014

Mail this Financial Review Form to Kentucky PTA, P. O. Box 654, Frankfort, KY 40602-0654

*Kentucky PTA and local unit bylaws require all PTAs and PTSAs to file a Financial Review Form with Kentucky PTA by August 15, each year, to remain a “unit in good standing.”

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### Financial Review Report Form for the Local PTA/PTSA

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This financial review is for the 2013-2014 fiscal PTA/PTSA year.  
(For most PTAs/PTSAs this will be July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. Check your bylaws if unsure.)

1. Beginning Balance (as of last date covered by last financial review) $__________

2. Receipts (total receipts from the beginning to the end of the period covered by this financial review) _______________

3. Total Cash Available (add number 1 and number 2) _______________

4. Disbursements (total disbursements from the beginning to the end of the period covered by this financial review) _______________

5. Ending Balance (subtract number 4 from number 3) _______________

6. Bank Statement Balance (for last month covered by this financial review) _______________

7. Checks Outstanding ________________

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   Total Checks Outstanding $ _______________

8. Bank Account Balance (Subtract number 7 from number 6) $ _______________

**Date of financial review:** ________________________________________

We have examined the books of ____________________________________________ PTA/PTSA for the financial year 2013-2014 and find them to be:  (Please choose one)

___Correct  ____ Substantially Correct  ___Incomplete  ___Incorrect

Substantially correct with the following adjustments: ____________________________________________

__________________________________________________________________________

Comments: _________________________________________________________________________

Signatures: Financial Review Committee Chair (or professional auditor) ____________________________________________

   2. (member) ____________________________________________ 3. (member) ______________________

This Financial Review information should be presented to the PTA/PTSA at its first general meeting after the completion the financial review.

Remember to mail this report to Kentucky PTA and keep copies for your records.

KY PTA Leaders’ Notebook for PTAs and PTSAs 2013-2014

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**PTA/PTSA OFFICER AND CHAIRMEN INFORMATION**  
**DUE TO KENTUCKY PTA BY JUNE 1ST OF EACH YEAR**

Mail, E-mail, or fax to Kentucky PTA

**Name of PTA/PTSA** ________________________________________________________________

For each VP position check job description, i.e. 2VP - Membership, or use the blank to indicate position. List any other Executive Board members (elected officers) on a separate sheet using the same format.

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| **3VP** | Programs | Membership | Ways & Means | Volunteers | |
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**Secretary**

Name: ___________________________ Email: ___________________________

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Name: ___________________________ Email: ___________________________

Home Address: ___________________________ City: ___________ Zip: ________

Telephone: home - cell - work -

**Reflections Chair**

Name: ___________________________ Email: ___________________________

Home Address: ___________________________ City: ___________ Zip: ________

Telephone: home - cell - work -

Please submit these names so that your officers can receive Kentucky and National PTA mailings. Please mail, E-mail, or fax this form or the information requested to Kentucky PTA, P. O. Box 654, Frankfort, KY 40602-0654, E-Mail KentuckyPTA@bellsouth.net, fax 502-226-6610. Deadline June 1 of each year.

Use this same format for any changes to officers or additions during the school year.
KENTUCKY AND NATIONAL PTA RESOURCES FOR YOUR PTA/PTSA

Kentucky PTA Leader’s Notebook
For PTAs and PTSAs
2014-2015
ONLINE AT WWW.KYPTA.ORG
FOR MEMBERS > KENTUCKY PTA LEADERS’ NOTEBOOK
THIS RESOURCE CONTAINS SECTIONS ON

- FORMS - FOR KENTUCKY PTA
- ADVOCACY AND LEGISLATION
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IT’S FREE! DON’T MISS OUT!
REGISTER BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1

- The 2014-2015 Official National PTA Back-to-School Kit is a digital DVD. Leaders can access, download and share information from the DVD Back-to-School Kit. As an added bonus, this year’s kit will also include full PDFs for download for each quick reference guide, as well as two full-sized posters for PTA leaders to display at their schools.
- Handbooks include *Presidents *Finance *Membership *Programs *Fundraising *Advocacy *Communications
- Presidents order online at www.pta.org/members/content.cfm?ItemNumber=4134

Things to do this summer

- once the financial books have been closed, make sure a financial review has taken place before the new treasurer accepts the books and send your financial review to Kentucky PTA
- attend the Kentucky PTA Convention/Leadership
- send in your Officers List to Kentucky PTA and your district PTA
- meet and plan a tentative calendar and goals for the new year
- devise a membership theme and campaign
- develop a budget that can be presented and approved by the general membership

Web Addresses:
14th District PTA: www.14pta.org
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Kentucky PTA: www.kypta.org
National PTA: www.pta.org

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Executive Committee 2013-2015

President - Eddie Squires
President-Elect - Cherie Dimar
Vice President for Leadership/Outreach - Ed Massey
Vice President for Organization Services - Kelly Capps
Vice President for Programs - vacant
Secretary - Liza Holland
Treasurer - Brian Wampler
Legislative Commissioner - Sharon Whitworth
Kentucky PTA was chartered in 1918 as a state affiliate of the National PTA. We celebrated our 90th anniversary in 2008 and will celebrate our 100th anniversary in 2018. Kentucky PTA is a nonprofit, tax exempt, 501 (c) (3) charitable association registered with the Internal Revenue Service as an education organization.

**PTA Mission:**

The overall purpose of PTA is to make every child’s potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.

**PTA Values:**

- **Collaboration:** We work in partnership with a wide array of individuals and organizations to accomplish our agreed-upon goals.
- **Commitment:** We are dedicated to promoting children’s health, well-being, and educational success through strong parent, family, and community involvement.
- **Accountability:** We acknowledge our obligations. We deliver on our promises.
- **Respect:** We value our colleagues and ourselves. We expect the same high quality of effort and thought from ourselves as we do from others.
- **Inclusivity:** We invite the stranger and welcome the newcomer. We value and seek input from as wide a spectrum of viewpoints and experiences as possible.
- **Integrity:** We act consistently with our beliefs. When we err, we acknowledge the mistake and seek to make amends.

**PTA Purposes: Historical goals of PTA**

- **To promote** the welfare of the children and youth in home, school, community, and place of worship.
- **To raise** the standards of home life.
- **To secure** adequate laws for the care and protection of children and youth.
- **To bring** into closer relation the home and the school, that parents and teachers may cooperate intelligently in the education of children and youth.
- **To develop** between educators and the general public such united efforts as will secure for all children and youth the highest advantages in physical, mental, social, and spiritual education.