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Dear Local PTA/PTSA Leaders,

The Kentucky Parent Teacher Association (PTA) would like to notify you for the 2019-2020 school year we are switching insurance carriers. The new carrier will be AIM. Coverage price has decreased to $320 per local unit and the coverage has increased and will include:

- General Liability- $1,000,000 EACH UNIT
- Bond- $10,000 and includes anyone you trust with your money, not just elected officials
- Crime- $10,000
- Directors & Officers- $1,000,000 EACH UNIT
- 24-Hour Customer Support

On page 23 of the Kentucky Department of Education Redbook it states:

Insurance

1) It is recommended that treasurers of external support/booster organizations be bonded.
2) All external support/booster organizations are required to carry separate insurance for general liability with the appropriate coverage to operate their organization.
Grant Opportunities

The Mary Lou Anderson Reflections Arts Enhancement Grant is open - apply now!

For 50 years, the National PTA Reflections arts program has furthered the goals of the program founder, Mary Lou Anderson. Mary Lou Anderson believed in the power and importance of the arts and dreamed that Reflections would leave a lasting impact on children across the country - and it has! Reflections has helped millions of students explore their own thoughts, feelings and ideas, develop artistic literacy, increase confidence and find a love for learning that will help them become more successful in school and in life.

National PTA is happy to continue Mary Lou Anderson's vision of Reflections through the Mary Lou Anderson Reflections Arts Enhancement Grant. This grant opportunity provides local PTAs the opportunity to match grant dollars with that of school and community partners to accomplish innovative arts education projects.

In line with Mary Lou Anderson's vision of access to the arts education, this grant opportunity places special emphasis on increasing access among at-risk and underserved students. It is National PTA's hope that this grant opportunity will serve local PTAs that demonstrate a commitment to providing new pathways for students to participate in National PTA's Reflections program and increasing at-risk student's access to high quality arts learning experiences.

A competitive application will demonstrate:

- A commitment to developing new pathways for participation in National PTA's Reflections program and access to high quality arts learning experiences
- An understanding of school community needs and ways to develop an arts education program that will serve at-risk students

External support/booster organizations are not covered by the district liability insurance.
3) Proof of liability insurance coverage must be submitted to the principal prior to commencing any fundraising activities.

Insurance must be paid by September 1, 2019. Included is an insurance application. Please note that AIM will be at our Kentucky PTA Convention this July 19-20, 2019 at Tates Creek Middle School.

Questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to our Kentucky PTA offices. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Heather Wampler

Call to the 2019 Kentucky PTA Convention

The Kentucky PTA Congress of Parents and Teachers, Inc., hereby calls upon its membership to send duly accredited delegates to the Convention to be held on July 19 & 20, 2019 at Tates Creek Middle School in Lexington, Kentucky.

Kentucky PTA Bylaws, Article XVI: Kentucky PTA Annual Convention Section 1.

e. Each local PTA/PTSA in good standing as shown on the records in the Kentucky PTA Office thirty (30) days before the Kentucky PTA Annual Convention, shall be entitled to be represented at the Annual Convention of the Kentucky PTA by its president, or alternate, and one (1) accredited delegate plus one (1) additional delegate for every twenty-five (25) members, or a major fraction thereof.

#f. A local unit PTA/PTSA in good standing is one which:
1. Adheres to the Purposes and basic policies of PTA.
2. Remits the National and Kentucky portions of dues to Kentucky PTA as required;
3. Remits District portion of the dues as required;
4. Reviews the treasurer's books and submits the PTA Financial Review Form (formally the audit report form) to the Kentucky PTA Office by July 15;
5. Files with the IRS the proper Federal 990EZ or 990N (e-postcard) and sends a copy to the Kentucky PTA Office by November 15th;
6. Has bylaws approved by the Kentucky PTA every five (5) years;
7. Has an IRS Employer Identification Number (EIN) on file in the Kentucky PTA state office; and
8. Maintains a minimum of ten (10) members.

KY PTA Nominating Committee Slate of Officers for the 2019-2021 Term
Plans for raising matching grant funds and for utilizing grant funding for arts in education activities

Apply by 11:59 PST on Sunday, June 30, 2019.

Click Here for Application

Did You Know?
President Selena Butler presented early-childhood information at conferences in Great Britain in the 1930s.

In the 1980s, PTA undertook a massive public education campaign about HIV/AIDS.

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Click here for all election information.

Catch Up with PTA!
1. Share Your PTA Story! Why did you get involved in PTA? Share your story with us so we can inspire other members just like you. Your story might even be featured at the 2019 National PTA Convention & Expo! Share your MyPTAStory today!

2. Become a School of Excellence. Join nearly 900 PTAs across the nation in becoming a nationally-recognized School of Excellence. Make a commitment to creating long-lasting school improvements during the 2019-2020 school year and celebrate your accomplishments. Learn more and enroll today!

3. Check out the Spring Edition of Our Children Magazine! The theme of the magazine is “Parenting in the Digital Age” and features articles to help every parent feel empowered with the knowledge and skills to equip their children with everything they might need in the digital world. Read the full magazine!

For PTA Leaders
Kentucky PTA Convention 2019
Join us July 19-20th at Tates Creek Middle School in Lexington for the Kentucky State PTA convention. Click here for more information, Click here for the registration form. Click here for the Grant Application.
Addressing Teacher Shortages: Traditional and Alternative Routes to Teaching

The most important school factor in a child's academic success is having access to high-quality, effective teachers. While we have continually sought to improve the quality of instruction provided to students, particularly those who have been historically underserved, we are now facing teacher shortages in Kentucky and across the nation like we never have before.

The factors influencing the shortages are numerous and not the topic of this column, but suffice it to say that the teacher shortages in some regions of the state and in some high demand content areas threaten the core business of teaching and learning in Kentucky schools. The shortages are particularly challenging in such critical areas as special education, career and technical, science and mathematics.

The Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) must play a leadership role in addressing our teacher workforce challenges. Read More
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