Schedule of Events

Friday, April 30, 2021

12:00-12:45 General Session 1 –
- Welcome / Introductions
- Credential Report
- Convention Rules
- Adoption of Convention Program & Convention Committee Recognition
- Leadership Awards Overview
- Treasurer’s Report and Proposed Budget

12:55-1:45pm Workshop Session 1-
- Invest- Brains, Budget and Technology
- Protect– School Safety: Everyone Has a Part
- Officer training- Secretary

1:55-2:45pm Workshop Session 2-
- Officer Training- President/Vice President
- Volunteer- Recruiting, organizing and maintaining volunteers
- Champion- Partnering with School Administration

2:55-4:00pm General Session 2-
- Vote on Bylaw changes
- Idaho Life Merits Awards
- Speaker from National PTA- Leslie Boggs, National PTA President
- Q&A with the board

4:10pm-5:00pm Workshop Session 3-
- Officer Training- Treasurer
- Engage- Engaging Underrepresented Groups

7:00-8:30pm Idaho State Reflections Awards
Saturday, May 1, 2021

8:30- 8:45am Welcome and recap of the previous day

8:55-9:45am  **Workshop Session 4**  
*Officer Training*- President/Vice President  
*Advocate*- Beyond Your Four Walls – Advocating for all children  
*Guide*- PTA Programs -Arts and Science

9:55-10:50am  Volunteer and Teacher of the Year awards  
Q&A with the Board

11:00am-11:50am  **Workshop Session 5**  
*Officer training*- Secretary  
*Connect*- Reconnecting with your school, teachers, and PTA

12:00pm-12:50m  **Workshop Session 6**  
*Officer Training*- Treasurer  
*Act*- Engage, Support, Improve, Increase, Celebrate  
*Join*- PTA for Your Child

1:00pm  **General Session 3 – Main Ballroom**  
Leadership keys  
Membership Awards  
Outgoing President Address  
Incoming President Address  
Call to Convention 2022  
Adjournment of Convention
Workshop Descriptions

Leadership Training

President/Vice President:
Duties of the president will be discussed plus leadership tips and styles to help you succeed in this office.

Secretary:
This course is an introduction to the roles and responsibilities of the local unit PTA secretary. Meeting minutes and keeping records.

Treasurer:
This course will take you through PTA finance responsibilities including how to prepare a budget, conducting an audit, fundraising, managing money and bank accounts, electronic banking, treasurer’s financial reports, accountability to members and the government, and how to protect your 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status.

Workshops PTA for your Child

Invest– Brains, Budgets, and Technology
Effectively planning for and managing money individually, or within a leadership team, is best done with an understanding not only of dollars and cents, but also of biases, brainwaves, and technology. Our internal decision-making processes significantly impact our external money gathering and management. In this workshop we'll learn how to improve tried-and-true money management principles by understanding how to make better decisions about money and use simple technology to streamline its management. - Robert Steed, Mountain America

Join– PTA for Your Child
Today, PTA’s role is more important than ever in connecting parents, teachers and administrators, and supporting critical school needs. We want every family in our schools to join PTA, because we can do more together than apart. Our new membership campaign—PTA For Your Child—is designed to engage and excite new members and existing members by making the work of the PTA more visible and highlighting the value and impact of PTA. - Mary Kae Ryner, Idaho VP of Membership

Advocate– Beyond Your Four Walls – Advocating for all children
Did you know that PTA is the oldest and largest volunteer child advocacy association in the United States? Since 1897, PTA members have been instrumental in advocating for all children. Along the way, PTA has been instrumental in improving the lives of millions of children by advocating for the creation of universal kindergarten classes, child labor laws, a juvenile justice system and a healthy school meals program. Whether it is organizing a school board meeting or calling a member of Congress to talk about the federal budget, PTA members are making a difference for children and families in their communities and across the country. In this session, you’ll learn more about PTA’s Every Child. One Voice. motto and how you can begin to think beyond the four walls of your school and start advocating for all children. - Erin McCandless, Idaho PTA President
Engage– Engaging Underrepresented Groups

PTA’s mission is to make every child’s potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children. In this workshop, we will discuss the values of being an inclusive leader and present tips and examples of how to create a positive and collaborative school community where everyone feels welcome and included in making a difference for our children.

-Anna King, National PTA President-Elect

Act– Engage, Support, Improve, Increase, Celebrate

Throughout the year, National PTA offers awards or grants to honor or support PTAs as they: engage families, support student success, improve the health and safety of students and families, increase access to arts education or celebrate advocacy and diversity. Learn more about these grants, where to find them and what goes into applying. – Steven Rudy, Idaho PTA President-Elect

Champion– Partnering with School Administration

Although the PTA and the principal might not always agree, both should be committed to working together to support students and build a positive school environment. When parents and the school work together to show that they’re on the same team, they help build a sense of team spirit in the school community and make the school the best it can be. In this workshop, we will cover steps to help you develop an effective partnership with the principal and present tips to avoid common pitfalls - paving the way for a positive school year! - Erin McCandless, Idaho PTA President

Volunteer - Recruiting, organizing and maintaining volunteers

You can’t do it all by yourself. We’ll go through real life experiences of Volunteers, Chairpersons and Leadership and find out what went wrong and what went right. This workshop will give ideas on different formats for recruiting and organizing volunteers. We will also explore ways to keep the volunteers engaged and appreciated. - Mary Kae Ryner, Idaho VP of Membership

Guide– PTA Programs -Arts and Science

Stem+Families- PTA’s vision is that all students have the family and community support needed to access and pursue STEM opportunities and careers. We want to foster passion for science, technology, engineering, and math through fun activities and by involving families in these experiences together. – Karen Spalding

Reflections-National PTA’s Reflections program provides opportunities for recognition and access to the arts which boost student confidence and success in the arts and in life.- Lisa Morgan

Protect– School Safety: Everyone Has a Part

In this session participants will learn about the structure of school safety responsibilities within the State of Idaho. Trustees, Administrators, Community Partners, Law Enforcement and Parents must all work together to assure the safety of students within the school environment. The effort includes many partners, each with specific strengths, abilities and constraints. Participants in this workshop will receive and overview of school safety responsibilities as well as specific insight into how each group of stakeholders contributes to the overall improvement of school safety within a school or district.

- Guy Bliesner and Mike Munger Idaho Office of School Safety and Security
Connect– Reconnecting with your school, teachers, and PTA

This year has been a difficult for us all parents, students and teachers alike. Moving forward we need to find new ways to reconnect and move into a new normal. Learn about the resources PTA offers families to help with academics and returning to school as well as mental and emotional health. - Leslie Boggs, National PTA President