

WELCOME TO 2024 LEADERSHIP CONVENTION

Session will begin soon



DEVELOP
ADVOCATE
ENGAGE

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Develop programs, resources, and leadership skills that enhance the lives of all children, youth, and their families.

Advocate by speaking on behalf of all children and youth in schools, in the community, before governmental bodies, and before other organizations that make decisions affecting children.

Engage the public in united and equitable efforts to secure the physical, mental, emotional, spiritual, and social well-being of all children and youth.

PTA Awards 2.0: Embracing Change and Honoring Impact

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10 Award Categories

Outstanding Administrator

Advocacy

Development

Outstanding Elementary Educator

Inclusivity

Outstanding Secondary Educator

Spirit of PTA

Support Staff

Volunteer



Nominees must have a direct connection to the PTA and the mission of the Utah PTA.

Utah PTA Mission:

To make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.



Why Should Anyone Write an Award?

Recognition Collaboration



Old Award Application Elements

- Local PTA is in good standing
- If the application is for an individual, they must be a member of the PTA and exemplify the PTA Purpose and Mission.
- *Nomination essay up to 1000 words (about the length of two typed single spaced pages)*
- Supplementary material:
 - One supplementary item is required
 - There are points for each supplementary item up to three items
 - Each supplementary item should be no more than one page long
 - These materials may include photographs, articles, letters, program materials or other items
- Educators and Administrators need a letter of recommendation



New Award Application Elements

- Individual/Program **Impact Statement**
- Photo of nominee (individual, not in a group)
- Constituent recommendation (1 pg.)
- Supplemental materials (2 page limit)



What is an Impact Statement?

An impact statement is a **brief statement that describes the significance of a project**. It is used to **inform and convince** stakeholders, in this case the Utah PTA, and **provide justification for recognition**. An impact statement should be kept **simple and specific** and should speak directly to the intended audience.

An impact statement should include:

- A clear description of the person, project or initiative.
- A statement of action.
- An explanation of the impact.
 - Who benefits (individuals, organizations, community) and in what ways
- A list of people involved in the project, if applicable.



Why the Change?

Create a deeper connection to PTA

Share impact of people and programs

Simplify the process

More award submissions



2024 winners

30 award winners (3 per category)

Five regions represented

3, 5, 6, 9, 17

Exceptional nominations
included programs



- Legislative advocacy
- Literature review
- “Politics and Popcorn”
- [Red Ribbon Week Toolkit](#)
- School Customized Battle of the Books
- Community outreach and business nights
- Participation in National Programs (Ruby Bridges)
- Multilingual and multicultural school outreach
- PTA sponsorship/support of Unified Sports
- Creation of wellness rooms, teacher supply pantries and exceptional teacher support
- Senior sunrise activities
- Reignighting PTSA student groups with activities, food and student voice





ABE YOSPE
OUTSTANDING SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR

MEET OUR NEW PRINCIPAL

Abe Yospe

Hello Mustangs!

My name is Abe Yospe, but you will be calling me "Mr. Yospe" (pronounced Yos-pee). I am so incredibly excited to be the principal at Foothills Elementary. My motto is "Be awesome for kids!" In every decision I make and in everything I do, I want to be awesome for kids. I expect the teachers and school staff to also be awesome for kids.

MEET OUR NEW PRINCIPAL

Abe Yospe

One of my highest priorities is making school a place that kids love to be. I want our students to be sad when there's a snow day. I try my best to create an atmosphere of inclusiveness and joy. I greatly value making learning fun in classrooms and lessons with high student engagement. I also value creativity and integrating the arts into the curriculum. I'd like Foothills to be known as the most fun school in Jordan School District.

MEET OUR NEW PRINCIPAL

Abe Yospe

I love to be out and about in the school. I am rarely, if ever, in my office. I am normally visiting classrooms, eating lunch with the students, playing basketball with the students at recess, or going to PE. I feel that it is important that the students know their principal and feel he or she is someone that they can trust and go to if they have a problem. Making connections with students is the best part of my job.

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Jordandistrict Supercast Episode 217: The Tall Tale of Goats Hidden in the Basement at Foothills Elementary

It is a mystery for students at Foothills Elementary School. How did goats get into the basement of the building where Principal Abe Yospe says they now live?

On this episode of the Supercast, we head to Foothills for the school's annual Halloween parade, where we track down a student in a creative homemade costume and Principal Yospe to ask the probing question, are goats really living in the basement, or is it a tall (goat's) tale? Join us as we try to solve the mighty mystery.



Students Leading Through Timpanogos PTSA



Student Council Representative Maka Fisher leading a discussion at a Timpanogos PTSA meeting. Every month, students report on activities in the school and help to shape community culture through PTSA.

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Fall Carnival Committee Meeting.
Open to anyone who wants to help.
Monday, Sept 25th @ 8pm
Shianne's house 1218 E. 830 S.

Reunión del Comité del Carnaval de Otoño.
Abierto a cualquiera que quiera ayudar.
Lunes 25 de septiembre a las 8 p.m.
Casa de Shianne 1218 E. 830 S.

Заседание осеннего
карнавального комитета. Открыт
для всех, кто хочет помочь.
Понедельник, 25 сентября, 20:00
Дом Шианны 1218 E. 830 S.



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Spanish

Russian



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RED RIBBON WEEK TOOLKIT



Red Ribbon Week Toolkit



Award Process and Timeline

All awards will be submitted electronically on the Utah PTA website.

Region Boards will set specific dates for award submissions to council and to region.

School to Council
End of January 2025

Council will assess awards before sending on to region.

Council to Region
Mid February 2025

Regions will judge and send awards on to state.

Region to State
March 1, 2024

All awards submitted to state will be judged by members of the State Board of Directors.

Regions with a Director and Associate Director can submit 2 awards per category to state.



How do Winners get Recognized?

Local	Region	State
<p>Recognition determined by school and council leadership</p>	<p>Recognition determined by region leadership:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• School board meeting• Party• School assemblies <p>*Some regions celebrate region winners (those who advanced the state level)</p>	<p>Recognition is done at an awards breakfast yearly at the Utah PTA Convention</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gift card from MACU• Token of appreciation from Utah PTA• Presentation in the general PTA meeting at convention



Questions?

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