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A New Year. A Big Milestone. Let's Celebrate!

Welcome to a brand-new school year—and what a year it is! The countdown is officially on! In 2025–2026, we proudly celebrate **100 years of Utah PTA**—a century of advocacy, connection, and heart.

For 100 years, PTA leaders, parents, and educators have worked side by side to support children, strengthen schools, and build thriving communities. That legacy continues today—with YOU.

As we begin this exciting year, let's honor the past by moving forward with purpose. Let's champion every child, lift one another up, and lead with passion and unity. Whether you're stepping into a classroom, organizing a fundraiser, or simply showing up with a smile—you are part of something bigger.

The energy we bring now fuels the future. So here's to 100 years behind us—and to the next chapter we're writing together. It's going to be an amazing year!

For more information about our legacy and history visit: <https://www.utahpta.org/history>

Use our Centennial Membership Toolkit to celebrate at your own school/PTA. Add this link to the word Centennial Membership Toolkit: <https://www.utahpta.org/centennial-celebration-membership-toolkit>



Come Celebrate With Us!

Plan on attending the Centennial Celebrations in the Fall and Winter of 2025. Utah PTA is hosting celebration events statewide and will be asking local PTAs/PTSAs to participate. For details on dates and locations, [click here!](#)

17 COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS FOR KIDS



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| <p>Plant Trees</p>  | <p>Plant produce and donate the harvest to a local food bank.</p>  |
| <p>Plant seeds. Sell the flowers or plants and donate the proceeds to a local organization in need.</p>  | <p>Pick up litter at a park.</p>  |
| <p>Put on a play at your school, a fair or festival about local environmental or human needs issues.</p>  | <p>Collect items for a time capsule.</p>  |
| <p>Make treats for a local senior home.</p>  | <p>Improve school grounds.</p>  |
| <p>Develop and maintain a recycling program at school.</p>  | <p>Collect food, warm clothing, toys, or personal care items for the needy to deliver to shelters.</p>  |
| <p>Donate old eyeglasses to an organization or place that recycles them for the needy.</p>  | <p>Collect old clothes and donate them for a dress-up area at a daycare or family shelter.</p>  |
| <p>Make a holiday basket for someone in need or crisis.</p>  | <p>Write letters to servicemen /women.</p>  |



Building a Community

Schools are at the heart of every community, and the PTA is right there building the connections between teachers, school staff, students, parents, neighbors and the wider community to support their students. Through events, programs, fundraising and community outreach efforts, PTAs across the country are building their communities and creating ties to the school in fun, engaging and innovative ways. Working together on a community service project is a surefire way to create a sense of togetherness within your school, but finding the right project is sometimes challenging. Many parents are looking for hands-on community service projects they can do with their kids, but they aren't sure where to start. Your PTA can help by organizing service projects that all families can participate in, regardless of their situation. Look for projects that will allow children to learn a new skill or learn more about their community and that will give families a clear sense of accomplishment.



The Start of School is Fast Approaching!

Can you believe school starts soon? It's time to brush off those dusty backpacks and get ready to head back to school. Many teachers have wish lists and grants this time of year to try and get the needed things to start the year off strong. Consider donating a box of tissues, some whiteboard markers, or any other items that might make the start of the year great for teachers and students.

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