



Application for the Utah PTA Leadership Academy Class of Spring 2026

The application closes Tuesday, December 16, 2025, at 11:59 pm

Utah PTA's Leadership Academy is excited to welcome a new cohort of leaders who are eager to develop skills that can enhance their PTA and communities. This series of four sessions provides participants with proven strategies in *family engagement, advocacy, outreach, communication, and leadership*. It is different in scope and depth than other region or state PTA trainings. It will help you understand why these topics are important as well as how to utilize them in your own PTA and community work.

This opportunity is offered at no cost to PTA leaders. Lunch is included.

Program Commitments

The Utah PTA Leadership Academy offers PTA volunteers an immersive leadership development opportunity. The individual's and group's success is dependent upon complete attendance, engagement, and participation. As such, we ask that you check your calendar and lean on your support systems to ensure you are available to attend and fully engage in all sessions.

- Tuesday, January 20, 9 am - 4 pm
- Tuesday, February 17, 9 am - 3 pm
- Tuesday, March 17, 9 am - 3 pm
- Tuesday, April 21, 9 am - 4 pm

Optional: Utah PTA Day at the Capitol - Wednesday, January 28, 2026. Leadership Academy participants will be able to join a tour of the Capitol.

To assist candidates in completing their application, the following summary provides a detailed overview of all required questions within the application.

Please confirm the following.

- You will get the most out of this experience when you can be fully present during all four sessions. With that in mind, are you able to arrange or secure childcare for the dates mentioned?
- The Leadership Academy experience is more than just the time we spend learning. It is designed for you to build a network outside of your community. Does your family support you not being available on the dates mentioned?
- Sessions are scheduled on weekdays. Do you have the support of your family, supervisor and co-workers to participate fully in the Academy?
- An hour of homework will be assigned before each session. Are you willing to complete assignments so you are prepared for the sessions?
- You must complete a minimum of 90% of all sessions and homework to graduate from Leadership Academy.

- If you miss any sessions without notifying the Leadership Academy Chair, you will be asked to reimburse Utah PTA for the cost of the lunch for that session.

Application Summary

We suggest preparing your responses in advance to ensure a smooth application process.

Candidate Information

- Contact information (name, address, phone, and email)
- Candidate availability for session dates
- PTA membership is required. (Name and region of the PTA where you are a member)

Short Answer Responses (100 - 200 words each)

- Explain which part of PTA's Mission Statement is meaningful to you and why.
- Describe a leadership experience within PTA or another community organization. Discuss what you accomplished and what you learned about yourself or others.
- Identify a challenging task or assignment that you have accepted. Describe why it was a challenge, how you overcame any barriers, and the results of your efforts.
- Choose two leadership qualities that you would like to enhance or develop, and describe the value of mastering those skills.

Please contact Stacey Mollinet at stacey@utahpta.org with any questions regarding your application.