

Utah PTA Statement on Full Funding for Public Education

Utah PTA advocates for the education, health, and well-being of every child and believes a strong system of public education is essential to the success of our students, families, and communities.

PTA strongly supports full and equitable funding for public education and calls on state leaders to demonstrate good-faith collaboration with public education professionals to ensure the success and well-being of all children—both now and in the future.

Public schools serve more than 90% of the students in our state. Public education is the cornerstone of strong communities, a thriving workforce, and a healthy democracy. Funding decisions must prioritize the students and families who rely on public schools every day and ensure that educators have the resources necessary to provide safe, inclusive, and high-quality learning environments. Any cuts to arts programs, mental health services, or other critical student supports are unacceptable and undermine the success and well-being of Utah students.

PTA urges policymakers to fully fund public education before diverting limited public dollars to special-interest voucher programs that do not serve the majority of students and lack the same standards of accountability, transparency, and equity required of public schools. We implore state leaders to engage in open, timely, and transparent collaboration with educators and education stakeholders from the outset of policy development—not after proposals are finalized or decisions are effectively made.

Utah PTA urges policymakers to focus on responsible stewardship of public dollars, meaningful partnership with education leaders, and long-term investments that support student success. We remain committed to working collaboratively with lawmakers and education partners to protect and strengthen Utah's public education system for current and future generations.

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What your PTA can do?

- Follow Utah PTA as a PTA and share social media campaign during the session
- Share Campaign in local newsletters and at PTA meetings
- Make sure to recognize teachers, administrators and other educational partners and invite them to join the campaign
- Use the hashtag:
#BetterLeg4PublicEd

Get the Social Media Profile Frame



- Use Link or QR Code:
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- Click on Use/Edit template
- Add a profile picture of yourself
- Move to the back behind the frame or set image as background
- Save/Download and then add to all of your social media platforms as profile pic

What can I do?

- Change your social media picture to use the #BetterLeg4PublicEd Frame
- Challenge a friend to join the campaign
- Share the letter with your elected officials with a personal message
- Consider attending legislative committee meetings and making public comment
- Share information with neighbors and help them get involved
- Join Utah PTA's LAC to learn more about currently proposed legislation.

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- Share positive messages in your community and our great schools, teachers and students
- Use the hashtag and let's blow up Social Media:
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