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GOLD STAR AWARDS PROGRAM

INTRODUCTION

THE MISSION OF UTAH PTA

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

VISION OF UTAH PTA

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.

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

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



GOLD STAR PTA

The purpose of the Gold Star Program is to help PTAs and PTSAs fulfill Utah PTA’s vision by:

- * Learning to be the best advocates for their school community.
- * Empowering parents to become better advocates for their children.
- * Encouraging active parental involvement in children’s education and family life.
- * Developing strong programs, building PTA membership, and creating future PTA leaders.

Achieving Gold Star Status signifies that a PTA/PTSA is in good standing with Utah

PTA and strives to be the best in its community.

- * Gold Star PTAs/PTSAs receive a framed certificate for their school, recognition at the Utah PTA Leadership Convention, and are highlighted throughout the year.
- * Each level (PTA, PTSA, council) has specific requirements.

Applications open
DECEMBER 1

Completed applications due
MARCH 1

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COUNCIL PTA / PTSA REQUIREMENTS

Complete all the ★starred items under each of the 3 Utah PTA Vision Areas and 3 of the unstarred items (from any heading) for a total of 18 completed items

A D V O C A T E	D E V E L O P	E N G A G E
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> ★ Have a PTA member from your school attend Advocacy Conference or PTA Day at the Capitol <input type="checkbox"/> ★ Attend all council and region board meeting or send an alternate in your place <input type="checkbox"/> Have a board member serve on a district level committee and report back to council <input type="checkbox"/> Have a board member attend two school board meetings and report back to council <input type="checkbox"/> Have a board member write to an elected official about an education issue <input type="checkbox"/> Have a board member serve on a Utah PTA Commission/Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> ★ Verify all local units entered leader contacts into Givebacks <input type="checkbox"/> ★ Complete and submit all end of year (previous year) and beginning of year reports <input type="checkbox"/> ★ Have current local bylaws <input type="checkbox"/> ★ Have at least two council board members Utah PTA Leadership Convention <input type="checkbox"/> ★ Complete council reports #1 & #2 <input type="checkbox"/> ★ Have a nominating committee <input type="checkbox"/> ★ Facilitate the Utah PTA Awards program for council and move winners forward to region <input type="checkbox"/> ★ Conduct a needs assessment <input type="checkbox"/> ★ Attend PTA pre-convention or post-convention training <input type="checkbox"/> Create or update standing rules <input type="checkbox"/> Have a board member complete a Thrive training on NPTA website <input type="checkbox"/> Create or update local PTSAs standing rules 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> ★ Promote a membership campaign <input type="checkbox"/> ★ Participate in the Reflections program <input type="checkbox"/> ★ Visit at least 3/4 of your local PTA's once throughout the year <input type="checkbox"/> ★ Hold regular council meetings and use the branded trainings <input type="checkbox"/> Arrange a council-level parent information event <input type="checkbox"/> Organize additional training as needed by your council <input type="checkbox"/> Host a Take Your Family to School activity (NPTA program) <input type="checkbox"/> Participate in the PTA School Excellence Program (NPTA program) <input type="checkbox"/> Create a plan to connect with local leaders in your council at least four times. You can use various channels such as social media, group texts, email, or a newsletter

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COUNCIL!**

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