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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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## LOCAL PTA REQUIREMENTS

Complete all the ★starred items under each of the 3 Utah PTA Vision Areas and 5 of the unstarred items (from any heading) for a total of 22 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"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ★Host a general membership meeting not during the school day</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ★Have a PTA member from your school attend Advocacy Conference or PTA Day at the Capitol</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Help with a Parent Teacher Conference</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Have a board member attend the School Community Council and report back to PTA</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Facilitate a school service project</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Have a board member attend two school board meetings and report back to the PTA</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Have a board member write to an elected official about an education issue</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Have a board member serve on a Utah PTA Commission/Committee</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ★Pay membership dues to Utah PTA</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ★Complete and submit all end of year (previous year) and beginning of year reports</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ★Have current local bylaws</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ★Have two PTA members from your school attend Utah PTA Leadership Convention (this year or last)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ★Complete local reports #1 &amp; #2</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ★Have a nominating committee</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ★Apply for one Utah PTA Award (not LEAP or Gold Star)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ★Conduct a needs assessment</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ★Attend 75% of council meetings</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ★Attend council PTA trainings</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Create or update your PTAs standing rules</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Have a board member complete a Thrive training on NPTA website</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ★Conduct a membership campaign</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ★Participate in the Reflections program</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ★Organize a teacher appreciation event</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ★Organize a ribbon week/healthy lifestyle activity</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ★Host one PTA family activity</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Host a Military Appreciation activity</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Host a Take Your Family to School activity (NPTA program)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Participate in the PTA School Excellence Program (NPTA program)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Apply for a National PTA grant</li> </ul>

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PTA!**

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