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Utah PTA receives awards for advocacy efforts from local and national organizations

Salt Lake City, Utah – Utah PTA was recently recognized with awards from the Utah Educators Association and from the National Parent Teacher Association. One of the primary goals of the PTA is to 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. These awards were given in recognition of these efforts.

On June 13, 2022 Utah PTA received the UEA Honor Roll award at the UEA’s Superstars in Education annual awards banquet. This award recognizes individuals or organizations that have provided outstanding service to education, but who are not in a teaching position. The letter sent from the UEA board of directors to Utah PTA stated:

“...One hundred and twenty-five years of supporting public education through service to students, schools, families and communities! I can think of no other organization more worthy of the Utah Education Association Honor Roll Award than the Utah Parent Teacher Association, especially in this landmark year of celebration.”

On June 14, 2022 Utah PTA was presented the Outstanding State PTA Advocacy Award at the National PTA 125th Anniversary Convention in National Harbor, Maryland. This recognition is awarded annually to one State PTA that through their dedication, leadership and efforts positively affected legislative and/or regulatory policy aligned with National PTA’s public policy agenda. The National PTA stated:

“Utah PTA raised their voice by sponsoring forums, developing informational materials and meeting with government leaders on a wide range of topics—including big tobacco and increased funding for special education, teacher recruitment and student mental health support. They also drafted legislation to assist refugee students in making a smooth transition to living in and going to school across the state.”

Utah PTA President Stacey Mollinet shared, “The Utah PTA advocacy team is amazing and has worked year-round on behalf of our children. We’re so grateful for this recognition of the work we have been doing.”

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