



12th District PTA

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The mission of the Board of Managers of the 12th District PTA is to serve, train, strengthen and empower its councils and units.

You can check out our website at www.12thdistrictpta.org for more information.

What's in **this** month's edition?

**SCHOLARSHIPS / ELECTIONS / REFLECTIONS / TRAINING /
CONVENTION / AUDITS / HISTORIAN**



Senior Scholarships: The 2017 application is ready. Have your graduating high school seniors return the application to 12th District by the deadline of March 31st.

[Senior Scholarship application](#)

A Message from the President

It's Election Time!

Have you scheduled your elections for next year's board? 90% of the schools in 12th District are supposed to do this during the month of March! The remaining 10% have them no later than April.

You should have elected a nominating committee at your last general association meeting and they should have met and put together a slate of officers for next year. This slate needs to be posted at your school (usually in the front office) for 30 days before the election. Anyone elected to office must be a current PTA member or become one immediately upon election. This allows for new parents to take a position.

Oops! We forgot to do the nominating committee! What do we do now? You still need to give a 30 day notice of the election and state that nominations will be taken from the floor. Your board needs to start talking to people about taking positions for next year and make sure they are coming to the election meeting to be nominated and elected or have given their consent. Please contact 12th District for further details.

You must have a president, a secretary, and a treasurer to be a unit in good standing. This is not just a PTA rule, it is covered in codes from both the California Corporate Code and the IRS. If you do not have these three positions by July 1st, you need to contact 12th District for advice.

Once you have your election, the current board must put the contact information in PTAEz. You need to provide a valid home address for the president. It can't be the school.

Any school that does not have a president (at minimum) in the PTAEz system by May will be sent letters from the state PTA addressed to the principal, the current president, and the superintendent reminding them that they are not in good standing.

Remember that the 12th District Board is available to answer any questions.

Laura Loya / 12th District President



Reflections

The results are in!!!! California State PTA is honoring the following young artists from 12th District:

Avalon Nathan - Award of Excellence Film, Special Artist - Thousand Oaks High
Wyatt Jackson - Award of Excellence Visual Arts, Special Artist - Agoura High



Carson Eith - Award of Merit Visual Arts, Primary - Sycamore Canyon
Daniel Gluckman - Award of Merit Film, Intermediate - Walnut Canyon
Tesla Miranda - Award of Merit Music, Primary - Big Springs
Cecilia Bellissimo - Award of Merit Music, High School - Agoura High
Alita Kneeland - Dance Intermediate - Rancho Rosal

Send good thoughts to our two Award of Excellence winners and they enter the next level of judging, National PTA

TRAINING

April 6th is our training "I'm on the Board, Now What?". It is a great way to get an overview of when to do things and the best way to have a smooth transition from one board to the next. The training is free but we do request reservations so that we can have enough materials. You can register on line here:



<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084fa9aa2da0ff2-imonthe/>

Full details are available here: [2017 - Spring 12th District Training Flyer](#)

Our premier training event, [Leadership Conference '17](#) will be held on Saturday, June 3rd at the Ventura County Office of Education. Class lists and registration materials will be available in mid March. Check our facebook page, our website and your mailbox for full details. We hope to see you all there. We promise a great day of learning and fun!



CONVENTION IS COMING: April 28th - 30th.

Registration for convention opens on March 1st. Register by April 1st to get early bird pricing. The full convention book, with all the details about activities and classes being offered is available here.

<http://capta.org/programs-events/convention/>

Auditor:

Mid-year audits are now due. They should cover the dates July 1, 2016-December 31, 2016. Forward your audit to your council auditor and they will forward them to 12th District. For Out-of-Council units, please forward your audits directly to me. If you have any questions, please contact your council auditor or me at the email address [here](#).

Vicki Leung / 12th District Auditor



HISTORIAN:



Don't forget to track your Unit volunteer hours. A *Survey Monkey* link will be sent to the Council Historians to forward to their Unit Historians to complete in April/May. All volunteer hours (including attending meetings, prep at home, and travel) can be listed. Hours can be estimated for the crucial May-June period after the report is handed in, which, as we all know, is often the busiest time of the year for PTAs.



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