Michigan PTA



9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

We invite you to have a voice in developing the focus of Michigan PTA's 2023-2024 Legislative Platform and learn about emerging issues.

Michigan PTA's Advocacy Day is focused on grassroots advocacy – the cornerstone of PTA! Since our founding, PTA has recognized the importance of advocacy in improving the lives of our nation's children. Attend Advocacy Day to become more effective advocates, and to share your knowledge with others. This is a great opportunity for adults and students to learn new skills.

Registration is \$25 for adults and \$10 for students and closes March 8th! March 16, 2023 Info: michiganpta.org/advocacy-day-2023

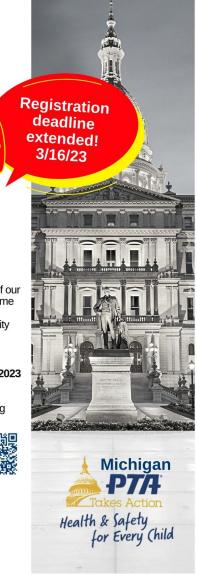
Questions? childadvocacyvp@michiganpta.org

Michigan State Capitol, Heritage Hall 100 N Capitol Ave, Lansing, MI 48933



Thank you to MASB for your generous contribution to this event.





Michigan PTA Annual Convention

April 28-30, 2023- Radisson in Southfield https://michiganpta.org/2023-convention

Convention is not just for leaders – it's for students, teachers, families, and advocates. This event is a unique mixture of training, networking, leadership development, advocacy, and fun!

This is your main opportunity to influence the direction of the organization. The general sessions provide you the opportunity to vote on bylaws changes and other issues that are of importance to Michigan PTA. Don't miss the chance to have your opinion heard.

National PTA



March is National Reading Month!

Did you know that reading books about different people, places and experiences is critical to heathy child development? Throughout March, we are sharing ways for families to engage in reading activities together to celebrate National Reading Month! <u>Learn more.</u>



National PTA Backs Bill of Rights for Students and Parents

Earlier this month, in partnership with National PTA and due to the tremendous advocacy efforts of PTA leaders nationwide, Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici (OR-01) introduced the Bill of Rights for Students and Parents, a resolution expressing Congress' commitment to building safe, welcoming, supportive and inclusive schools across the nation and highlighting the

importance of meaningful and inclusive family engagement in K-12 education. Learn more.

<u>Contact your representatives</u> today to urge them to co-sponsor the Bill of Rights for Students and Parents Resolution and help ensure that all students—including students from historically marginalized communities—have the right to a high-quality, equitable education in welcoming, supportive and inclusive schools!



PTA Leaders and Advocates Took Action During LegCon

Hundreds of PTA leaders and advocates from across the country met virtually earlier this month for <u>LegCon 2023</u>. During the conference, attendees advocated for issues that affect the health and safety of every child by meeting virtually with their members of Congress.

Even though LegCon is over, we encourage PTAs across the country to keep the momentum going! Review our leave behinds for federal legislation and policy recommendations that would further our policy priorities for this Congress. And sign up for action alerts so you don't miss any opportunities to continue

advocating for better health and safety measures for children!

Thank you to those who joined us to take action for better health and safety measures for children. Don't forget that all LegCon sessions are viewable for conference registrants on-demand through June 7!



Join the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) for a virtual training for parents and caregivers on children's mental health, Wednesday, March 22 at 6:00 p.m. EDT.

This training will be facilitated by leadership from ACF, SAMHSA, Youth MOVE National and Toivo to provide attendees the following:

- Information on child mental health from parent/caregivers, youth advocates and medical professionals
- Concrete skills to recognize and respond to your child's mental health needs
- · Access to mental health resources and guidance to help your children and family

<u>Sign up for the</u> webinar! If you cannot attend, the training will be recorded and uploaded to ACF's Behavioral Health webpage, along with resources shared during the event.