

ADVOCATES IN ACTION



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President

The overall purpose of PTA is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children. Family engagement in education is key to ensuring student success and we take pride in our rich history of harnessing the power of parents and family to communicate this message to decision makers. We continue to speak for every child with one voice.

As in the past, we work to influence today's education reform agenda by advocating for policies and laws that protect and benefit all children and youth. This important work begins with the efforts of the individual members in our local units. The Advocate in Action Award provides a way for local unit PTAs and the New York State PTA to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments and involvement of individual unit members in their advocacy efforts.

Yours Truly,

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Recognizing
the advocacy
efforts
of PTA members
for their
PTA
in their
schools
and
in their
community

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If you can check off any 8 of the items listed here you qualify as a PTA Advocate in Action!

To earn your certificate complete this application and return it to your PTA president.

OR

Surprise a PTA colleague, a student, a teacher, administrator or a Board of Education member by completing this for them and submit the application to your PTA president on their behalf.

WHAT IS AN ADVOCATE IN ACTION?

It is someone who works for change, improvement and growth.



- Is a PTA/PTSA/SEPTA member *(required)*
- Attends PTA meetings regularly
- Participated in a PTA program
- Attended Parent/Teacher conferences
- Voted in school elections
- Volunteered in your child's classroom
- Is/was a class parent or assisted in a class activity
- Served on a PTA committee
- Served as a PTA chair
- Served as a PTA officer
- Served as an officer in student government
- Served as a youth member on your PTA, PTSA, SEPTA, PTA Council or Region PTA
- Served on a school-based committee, such as a Shared Decision Making Team, Site Based Team, school wellness or parent advisory committee
- Wrote an article for your PTA newsletter
- Wrote a letter to the editor on a PTA issue
- Wrote a letter to a Board of Education member or a local legislator regarding a school issue
- Spoke at a Board of Education meeting or at a legislative event regarding a school issue
- Recruited/mentored one or more new members
- Successful in getting a teacher, administrator or Board of Ed member to join your PTA
- Recruited/informed/involved pre-school parents

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

Name

Address

Email *(please include!)*
Our best way to keep you informed is via email

I would like to receive Advocacy Alerts from the NYS PTA via email

Unit Name

School Name, if different

Unit Code # *(if known)*

Complete this form and return it to your PTA President. Your certificate will be mailed to your PTA president.*

If you are not a member of a local unit please submit this form to your Region Director.

Please do not submit this form directly to NYS PTA! Certificates cannot be mailed directly to individual members.

* PTA Presidents and Region Directors, please mail the forms to the NYS PTA address listed on the back of this form in an envelope marked Advocate in Action Award. Thank you.