

YOUR PTA MEMBERSHIP = OUR **ADVOCACY VOICE** FOR CHILDREN

- JANUARY** Continued strong advocacy and led the opposition to the legalization of recreational marijuana to ensure the safety and health of our children
- FEBRUARY** Fought for increased funding for mental health support for students, including support for school guidance counselors, social works, and other mental health professionals and programs
- MARCH** Led the No Vape NY Initiative, which protected youth by enacting a ban on flavored e-cigarettes and e-liquids
- APRIL** Launched a new comprehensive COVID-19 webpage with resources for families, educators, and units, and began nearly every week webinars and webchats on hot topics during school building closure to support families
- MAY** Served on the Governor's Reimagine/School Reopening Council working on plans for the safe return to school
- JUNE** Advocated for the elimination of the June Regents exam, so all children could graduate without having to sit for the traditional exit exams
- JULY** Advocated for revised guidance on supporting students with disabilities and fought for in-person summer instruction for certain students with disabilities
- AUGUST** Launched the NYS PTA Meals Initiative, directly serving children, families, and community members with assisting in food insecurity and facilitation of WIC, SNAP and other assistance programs
- AUGUST** Fought for Tech Equity and access to devices, Wi-Fi, and broadband for all NYS families
- SEPTEMBER** Supported units and schools in reopening, continuing our now weekly webchats and webinars on topics including mental health, unit operations, advocacy, and family engagement
- OCTOBER** Advocated for extension of the free student lunch program for all NYS school children



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