

## 2023-2024 Officer Information Form

Please complete the 2023-2024 officer information form even if there are no changes to your unit's officers. This form is important for communications and for your state PTA's compliance with National PTA.

Find the form in this newsletter on pages 12 and 13 or download from

<https://tnpta.org/news/officerinformationform.docx>

Please update the president's information in your unit's MemberHub and complete this form and return to Tennessee PTA as soon as possible.

## Congratulations to our 2023-2025 Officers!

President—Dana Price  
President Elect—*Vacant*  
Vice President of Advocacy —  
Christy Carroll Highfill  
Vice President of Membership—  
Theresa Shaw  
Secretary — Gail Phillips  
Treasurer — Heather Hendrickson

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**New Phone Number & New  
Mailing address:  
865-896-4016  
5006 Jim Jones Ln, Knoxville,  
TN 37931**



### **Message from the President**

The 2023 Annual Meeting and Convention was completed!  
What happened at convention, you ask?  
New state officers were elected!  
Workshops were presented.

Q & A session brought small groups together to discuss PTA.  
Tennessee PTA Lifetime Achievement Awards were given.  
Local PTA Unit winners were celebrated at the Awards Banquet.  
The incoming President gave her speech.  
The current President gave his farewell speech.  
State bylaws were adopted.  
New Tennessee PTA resolutions with stated actions were adopted.  
Delegates' PTA Journey Stories written and shared.  
Networking and conversations happened throughout convention.  
Next year, make room in your budgets to send at least one delegate to convention!

**We are PTA! PTA Advocates!**

Dwight Hunter  
President, Tennessee PTA





# What do those Adopted Bylaws Mean?

## **Proposed Amendment One: Adopted**

To Amend Article VII, Section 5, Officers and their Elections to change non voting advisory member to voting member of the board of directors.

**What does it mean:** Immediate Past President is now a voting member of the board of directors.

## **Proposed Amendment Two: Adopted**

To amend Article VII Section 1 to drop one vice president and rename the remaining two vice presidents: Vice President Advocacy and Vice President Membership. This motion if passed at our Annual Meeting would go into effect on July 1, 2023.

**What does it mean:** Tennessee PTA now only has two vice presidents, not three.

## **Proposed Amendment Three: Adopted**

To amend by striking Article IX, Section 4. Vice Presidents in its entirety and replace it with a new Section 4: Vice Presidents. This motion, if passed at the Tennessee PTA Annual Meeting, would go into effect on July 1, 2023

**What does it mean:** Vacancy in president (if president-elect position is vacant) is filled in order by Vice President of Advocacy and Vice President of Membership.

## **Proposed Amendment Four: Adopted**

To amend Article XII, Section 4 by striking the words “through their division chair” after “The chairmen of standing committees shall submit plans of work”.

**What does it mean:** Divisions are no longer required in the Tennessee PTA structure under the vice presidents.



### **Proposed Amendment Five: Adopted**

To amend the last sentence in Article VII: OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION, Section 6. Vacancies by adding the phrase “or at a called special meeting of the membership” and by inserting the word “either” between filled and at

**What does it mean:** A vacancy in the position of president elect can now be filled by a called special meeting of the membership **OR** by delegates at an annual convention.

### **Proposed Amendment Six: Adopted**

To amend ARTICLE XXII: Amendments, Section 1 by inserting the word “either” between amended and at, and inserting “or at a called special meeting of the membership” between meeting and by and insert “or special meeting of the membership” at the end of Section 1 after meeting

**What does it mean:** Bylaws can be amended at a special general meeting **OR** at an annual convention.

### **Proposed Amendment Seven: Adopted**

To amend Article VIII Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development, Section 1 by inserting before the number five (5) “three or”.

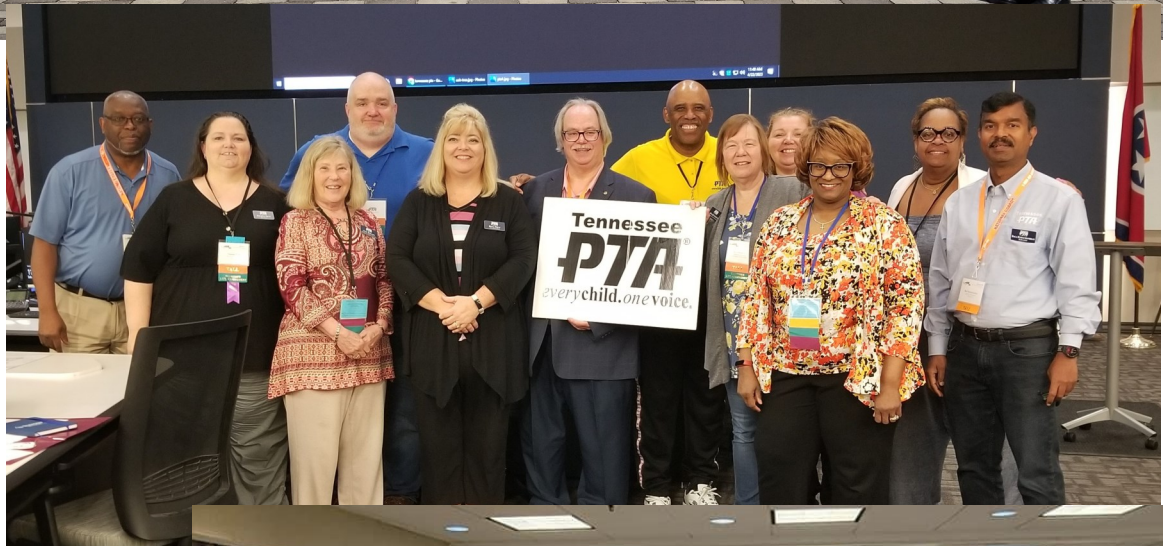
**What does it mean:** The NLDC can either be three members or five members.

## **Resolutions Adopted**

Resolutions are a vital part of our association’s advocacy efforts. The resolving clauses in each resolution state the action our association will take. The following resolutions were adopted by the 2023 convention delegates:

1. [Tennessee School Support Organization Financial Accountability Act](#)
2. [Support of Educators](#)
3. [Radon Testing](#)
4. [Child Nutrition](#)

These newly adopted resolutions will be posted on the website in a few weeks.





## Announcements, Announcements

We have a new phone number and new mailing address. Please find on page two of this newsletter and promote to your boards.

Student Awards Ceremony will be on June 3rd in Brentwood at the Brentwood Library. Time of the event depends on which category your student winner is in. Email invitations will be sent out because of limited seating capacity.

Find the list of the student award winners on the website.

Congratulations to the Unit Award Winners:

Local Unit of the Year — Lookout Valley Elementary PTA

Diversity and Inclusion Units of the Year

Elementary Division—Schilling Farms Elementary PTA

Middle/High Division—West Collierville Middle School PTSA

President's Award

Most members numerical—Arlington Middle School PTA

Most members by largest percentage increase—Oak View Elementary PTA

Teacher of the Year—Michelle White, Knox County Schools

**Don't leave your next unit President locked out of MemberHub!  
Update your MemberHub Admins!**

When updating new officers in MemberHub also add the president and other designated officers as an admin in MemberHub. This provides a smoother transition!



There were 27 Tennessee Awards Winners! Wow! The Tennessee Award is given to units with three years of membership increases. Congratulations to these outstanding units!

**EAST TENNESSEE REGION**

Bonny Kate Elementary PTA Emerald Academy PTSA

Knox County Schools Clothing Center PTA

New Hopewell Elementary PTA

Sterchi Elementary PTA

West Hills Elementary PTA

**FIRST TENNESSEE REGION**

Liberty Bell Middle School PTSA

Northside Elementary School PTA

South Side Elementary PTA

Woodland Elementary PTA

**MEMPHIS-DELTA REGION**

Arlington Middle PTA

Bailey Station Elementary PTA

Collierville Elementary PTA

Crosswind Elementary PTA

Schilling Farms Elementary PTA

West Collierville Middle School PTSA

**MID-CUMBERLAND REGION**

Montgomery Central Elementary PTA

Nashville Head Magnet PTA

Norman Binkley Elementary PTA

Rosebank Elementary PTA

Ruby Major Elementary PTA

**SOUTHEAST REGION**

Daisy Elementary PTA

East Hamilton Middle School PTA

Lookout Mountain Elementary PTA

Thrasher Elementary PTA

Wallace A. Smith Community PTA

Wolftever Creek Elementary PTA

## Congratulations to our PTA Unit Schools Recognized as Purple Star Award Schools



Tennessee PTA

Just now · 🌐

Charles Scott and Charles Everett represented Tennessee PTA at the Purple Star award celebration at Arlington Community Schools today. Receiving the TNPTA president award for most PTA members in the state from Arlington Middle PTA is the AMS principal and the superintendent of Arlington Schools. Congratulations!



The Tennessee Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission (TN-MIC3), with the support of the Tennessee State Board of Education, announced schools that were awarded the 2023 Tennessee Purple Star School Award. We have six PTA schools in this year's list!

The Tennessee Purple Star School Award was designed to highlight military-friendly schools that **show a major commitment to serving students and families connected to our nation's military**. The award recognizes military-friendly schools in Tennessee. Children in military families experience many challenges: transfers to multiple schools, adapting to new environments, or a parent deployed to a war zone.

**Congratulations to our six PTA schools for the Purple Star School Award!**

- \* Kenwood Middle School, Clarksville
- \* Lakeland Elementary School, Lakeland
- \* Arlington Elementary School, Arlington
- \* Arlington Middle School, Arlington
- \* Arlington High School, Arlington
- \* Donelson Elementary School, Arlington

## **THE BULLETIN JUNE FAREWELL**

The next issue of the Tennessee PTA Bulletin, June 2023, will be the farewell issue for the 2021-2023 term! A new term begins July 1, 2023! Farewell column, pictures of the new office, and more in the June issue!

Visit us on Facebook for weekly news!

# 2023-2024 INCOMING OFFICER INFORMATION



**TENNESSEE PTA**  
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Please update the president's information in **MemberHub** and complete this form and return to the Tennessee PTA no later than **June 15**. We need this information to better serve you and to make sure you receive all information from the State and National PTA. *(If you do not have all of your chairs elected at this time, please send what you have and notify Tennessee PTA when they are available.)* **Type or Print all information.**

**PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN EVEN IF THERE ARE NO CHANGES.**

PTA/PTSA Unit Name \_\_\_\_\_  
School Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City & Zip \_\_\_\_\_ School Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Principal's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Principal's email address \_\_\_\_\_  
County \_\_\_\_\_ Council \_\_\_\_\_ Region \_\_\_\_\_  
Fed EIN# \_\_\_\_\_ National PTA ID# \_\_\_\_\_



**President:** \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City & Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Updated in MemberHub: \_\_\_\_\_

**Vice President:** \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City & Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

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**Secretary:** \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Treasurer:** \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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**Legislative Chair:** \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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**Membership Chair:** \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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**Reflections Chair:** \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Bylaws Chair:** \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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**Diversity and Cultural Inclusion Chair:** \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please attach a complete list of additional officers and chairs.**



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