

## **Running Your PTA during these Unusual Times**

### **Miscellaneous FAQs & Answers from New Mexico PTA**

Dear PTA Leaders,

April 7, 2020

The New Mexico PTA Board of Directors wants to thank you, in advance, for your efforts regarding the continuation of the work of your PTA and your advocacy for your students in these real and ever-changing circumstances. We appreciate your flexibility, creativity, and positive attitudes as we all face new hurdles daily. The last 3 months of this school year will look very different than spring times past. You all have questions and NMPTA will try to answer them here and in postings to come. Please check in with us through our e-newsletter, our website, or follow us on Twitter and FB for the latest information and updates.

Answers to frequently asked questions will be divided into Membership, Financial, and Miscellaneous areas to start. Please don't hesitate to contact us with other questions as they arise. We understand that you will do the best job you can to advocate for your students, school, and community through these difficult and stressful times. We're with you and available via email at [nmpta@newmexicopta.org](mailto:nmpta@newmexicopta.org) .

Stay well, stay strong, and stay in touch!

#### **MISCELLANEOUS FAQs**

##### ***Question: Is NMPTA's 105<sup>th</sup> Annual State Convention still happening?***

- At this time, NMPTA has re-scheduled our statewide convention for August 20-22, 2020. The emphasis will be on leadership training among other things. New and past local PTA leaders are encouraged to attend. The location remains the Albuquerque Marriott Pyramid North. Information regarding online registration is coming soon via email and our website, [www.newmexicopta.org](http://www.newmexicopta.org) . Keep watching for updates!
- The early registration prices deadline is extended to May 30, 2020, so seriously consider registering before then to use your current year budget monies. Don't wait until after July 1<sup>st</sup>!
- If you plan on registering for the **Best Value 4-Pack** (or the other options) but don't know exactly who will be attending Convention don't worry. You can always register online using 4 place holder names like TBD #1, TBD#2, etc. Again, we encourage you to use the current school year funds to register for Convention because you'll want to hit the ground running as soon as this situation permits. Your school community will look to your PTA for leadership. So, plan now and be ready! #WeArePTA #NMPTAProud

##### ***Question: Is the New Mexico PTA Office still open?***

- As the NMPTA Office is located on the Wilson Middle School campus in Albuquerque, it will remain closed through the end of the school year. **But** our Office Manager, Jeannie Grazier, is still checking emails and phone messages regularly and retrieving mail from our Post Office box weekly. So, keep those documents and your questions coming! NMPTA is here to support you and the children of New Mexico. We couldn't do it without you!

***Question: Should we still be sending in our Standards of Affiliation documents for 2019-2020 school year to NMPTA?***

- Absolutely! If you still owe NMPTA copies of your Proof of Insurance, 2018-2019 Audit, 2019-2020 Budget, 2018-2019 990 tax form, updated Bylaws or elected officers' e-learning certificates of completion you should send them to [nmpta@newmexicopta.org](mailto:nmpta@newmexicopta.org) now. We will be calling you to remind you of missing documents.