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DUTIES

- Prepares and distributes District electronic communications
- Prepares District directory
- Maintains District roster database
- Maintains District website and social media accounts



NATIONAL PTA®

Visual Identity Standards

NPTA LOGO & COLORS

The National PTA logo is PTA Blue. The two other acceptable versions of the logo are in black and white below.











Primary Color



Pantone 541c R0 G60 B113 HEX#003C71 C100 M58 Y9 K46

Expanded Colors



Pantone 1797c R203 G51 B59 HEX#CB333B C2 M97 Y85 K7



R203 G96 B21 HEX#CB6015 C1 M72 Y100 K7



Pantone 124c R234 G170 B0 HEX#EAAA00 C0 M30 Y100 K0



Pantone 368c R120 G190 B32 HEX#78BF20 C65 M0 Y100 K0



Pantone 3145c R0 G119 B139 HEX#00778B C100 M10 Y29 K20



Pantone 255c R114 G36 B108 HEX#72246C C53 M96 Y10 K24

LOGO USAGE & FILE TYPES

When placing the logo into a document or on a product, be mindful of the proportions and background distractions. Do not apply any effects or recreate the logo.

File Formats .tif or .eps

For professionally printed materials

.jpeg

For Microsoft programs

.gif or .png

For web use

Design Terms

Logo

A visual mark that represents a brand.

Brand

A combination of marketing strategies, messaging, values, design and more.

Brand Identity

The personality, appearance, values and communication of a brand.

Visual Identity

Imagery that represents the brand; logos, photos and graphics.





DO NOT obstruct logo with decorative/busy backgrounds. The background behind the logo should remain free of text and image.



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DO NOT recreate the logo in any way or add a drop shadow to the logo.



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DO NOT scale the logo disproportionately so it is wider, taller, thinner or thicker than the approved proportions.

ADDITIONAL ASSOCIATION LOGOS



NPTA - Spanish



STEM+ Families



Reflections



SOE





FRE





& Spanish



eLearning



PTA CON XPO





CFE



PTA Family-School

Partnerships & PTA Hearst Award



PTA Connected

TYPOGRAPHY

Standard Typefaces

Myraid Pro has various styles including condensed and italic options for each weight.

Minion Pro has various styles including condensed and italic options for each weight. MyriadPro Light Myriad Pro Regular Myriad Pro Semibold **Myriad Pro Bold Myriad Pro Black**

Minion Pro Regular Minion Pro Medium Minion Pro Semibold Minion Pro Bold

Alternate Typefaces

For internal documents created with Microsoft Office use Arial, Calibri or Garamond.

Arial **Arial Bold** Arial Italic Calibri Calibri Bold Calibri Italic Garamond

Garamond Bold

Garamond Italic

Unicode, Verdana, Geneva or Georgia.

For web content use Arial, Helvetica, Lucida Sans

These typefaces include bold and italic styles.

PTA Branding

We want to deliver a consistent, clear, and uniform presence for all PTA-produced materials. When used properly, the National PTA logo and tagline help unify all PTAs and create awareness of the PTA brand. Applied consistently, these guidelines will create distinctive, credible, and sustainable messaging for all supporting PTA units, resulting in the organization working as one association with one voice.

Style Guide

Style aids communication.

Creating a uniform presentation extends well beyond print. It helps make your message clear to the audience. The purpose of a stylebook is to ensure this clarity.

Attention to style is efficient.

When someone drafts and proofs materials, a substantial amount of time might be spent rewriting content that does not adhere to style. Instead, this time should be spent carefully crafting the message, making it more powerful and effective.

Style also protects the integrity of our brand.

Poor grammar, misspellings, and inconsistencies reflect poorly on an association. An association that advocates for children, particularly their education, should be a strong proponent of a consistent style.

Logo Usage

The National PTA logo is the core element of the PTA visual identity. It should be seen on all external-facing media and on internal business communication pieces. In order to maintain a greater level of consistency, the logo should only be reproduced from approved electronic files and should never be altered or distorted in any way. Preformatted custom logos are available for download at CAPTA.org.

Use of the PTA Name

Groups cannot use the PTA name without our prior written approval. While PTA has become a part of American vocabulary, in the same way that people might call any soft drink "Coke" or any facial tissue "Kleenex," the name is protected with a number of federal trademarks and has been for more than 100 years.

Companies cannot use the PTA name in any manner that claims or could reasonably be inferred to suggest a relationship that does not exist. Companies may, however, reference PTA in statements of fact, for example, company X can state that it offers services to PTAs.

If you see the PTA name used in an inappropriate way or have related questions, please contact National PTA's Director of Strategic Communications.

Learn more about National PTA and California State PTA brand and visual standards.



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Social Media & PTA Advocacy

| GREEN | YELLOW | RED |
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| Sources you can retweet or share immediately. | Sources you should consider/research before retweeting or sharing. | Sources you should never retweet or share from a PTA owned/named account. |
| National PTA California State PTA Your District PTA Your Council PTA Your County Office of Education Your School District Your School Your PTAs events Ed100 Items pre-approved for distribution | Other State PTAs EdSource California Department of Education State elected officials: Governor, Assembly Members and Senators Federal elected officials: President, Members of Congress, Senators Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO) Allied Agencies Other PTA officers | Political Parties Support for a political candidate Federal legislative positions or national issues that differ from the National PTA position State legislative or ballot positions that differ from the California State PTA position Local ballot, tax or bond positions that differ from your PTA council or district position, OR those you haven't voted to support Anything that is mean spirited, |
| Go for it! | Think*Research*Ask | Not from a PTA account |

National PTA and/or California State PTA positions can be found on the following websites:

http://capta.org/focus-areas/advocacy/position-statements

http://capta.org/focus-areas/advocacy/resolutions

http://capta.org/focus-areas/advocacy/current-legislation

Elections and candidates have their own section in the California State PTA online Toolkit:

http://toolkit.capta.org/advocacy/election-campaigns

Quick responses are important for social media; so this guide can help you feel comfortable re-tweeting, sharing and posting on social media. Some pre-planning can also help with quick responses. BUT always remember, if in doubt leave it out. This is offered as a guide it is not an all inclusive list.

Be respectful | Be honest | Be discreet | Be responsible

E-MAIL ETIQUETTE AND TIPS

Use the "4 Ds for Decision-Making"

- Dedicate time for e-mail every day
- Do the action requested in the message
- Delete it
- Defer it until later or delegate it someone else

General Tips

- Be informal, not sloppy
- Keep messages brief and to the point
- Use sentence case
- Use a signature that includes contact information
- Use the subject field to indicate content and purpose
- Change the subject line when the email topic changes
- Use the blind copy and courtesy copy appropriately
- Be sparing with group e-mail
- Don't use e-mail as an excuse to avoid personal contact
- Remember that e-mail isn't private
 - o Do no harm
 - o Do not share passwords, user names, or credit card information
- Don't send chain letters, virus warnings, or junk e-mail
- Summarize long discussions
 - If you are forwarding or re-posting a message you've received, do not change the wording
 - o If you want to re-post to a group a message that you've received personally, ask the author for permission first.

How to compose an e-mail to someone you don't know

- Be sure to include a meaningful subject line.
- Open your e-mail with a greeting like Dear Mrs. Jones or Ms. Smith.
- Use standard spelling, punctuation, and capitalization.
- Write clear, short paragraphs and be direct and to the point.
- Be friendly and cordial.

Suggestions for continuing e-mail conversations

- Once you have exchanged e-mails with a person on a given subject, it is probably okay to leave greetings off of your following emails, but it is better to use some kind of salutations.
- Try to respond within a reasonable time frame. (24 hours)



BEWARE OF EMAIL PHISHING SCAMS

As the new term begins, we would like to remind all of our leaders about the dangers of email phishing. A phishing scam may ask you to send money, gift cards, or personal information to someone you trust from within your organization. A phishing email might appear to come from a district president, the IRS, or another officer in your unit.

Here are some best practices to keep in mind if you get an email that doesn't feel right:

- Contact the person directly. Call them or text them to check and see if they actually sent you the email in question. Having what experts call "back channels" can prevent you from divulging important information or losing money
- PTA always requires a paper trail for financial dealings, and we never wire money or
 pay for things using gift cards. If you are in doubt, contact your president and treasurer
 to ask about the validity of the request
- Never click on links in emails that you suspect are phishing. If you would like to look
 more closely at it, you can copy it and paste it into its own browser page. Often times
 you will notice that it mimics the emails that your unit uses, but that it isn't quite the
 same
- Trust your gut. If you think it doesn't sound right (for example, why would my unit president need me to send her \$500 right away?), then it probably is phishing.



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PHOTOGRAPHY RELEASE

| Permission to use child's image, name and/or school. | Permission to use adult image, name, organization name, and/or title. | | |
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| (Print Name of Child's School) | (Print School or Organization Name) | | |
| I hereby grant and assign the California State PTA, its units, councils, districts and legal representatives, the irrevocable and unrestricted right to use and publish for editorial, trade, advertising or any other purpose and in any manner and medium, including website and internet promotion, all photographic, video, and digital images as indicated below: | | | |
| PHOTO / IMAGE ONLY of my child. | PHOTO / IMAGE ONLY of myself. | | |
| PHOTO / IMAGE ONLY of my child with SCHOOL NAME. | PHOTO / IMAGE ONLY of myself with SCHOOL NAME or ORGANIZATION. | | |
| PHOTO / IMAGE of my child with my CHILD'S NAME, and my child's SCHOOL'S NAME. | PHOTO / IMAGE of myself with my NAME, my ORGANIZATION, and/or my TITLE. | | |
| By signing this, I hereby release the California State PTA, its units, councils, districts and its legal representatives from all claims and liability relating to said photographs, video and digital images. Date: | | | |
| Parent/Guardian/Adult Signature: | | | |
| Print Name as Signed: | | | |
| Address, City, Zip: | | | |
| Telephone: Email: Please complete and return to: | | | |