

2021 Convention Resolution

Prior to the Annual Meeting (convention), units, councils, and districts are encouraged to review, discuss and vote on the resolution to guide delegate action.

How do I read a Resolution?

Preamble: The preamble is a series of statements of fact supporting the reason(s) for the resolution. Each statement begins with the word *Whereas*. Because these statements must be supported with primary research, and do not provide authority, they are not voted on or changed by delegates at the Annual Meeting (Convention).

Request for Action: The request for action is a recommendation to the Annual Meeting delegates on how to proceed with the issue set forth in the *Whereas* statement(s). Each request for action begins with the word *Resolved*. The *Resolved* statements are the only part of a PTA Resolution that can be amended by delegates through a vote at the Annual Meeting (Convention). Convention Rules provide more information on the amendment process.

Background: The Background Summary is a narrative where a Maker can use plain language to define and link facts stated in the Preamble (*Whereas*) to the actions defined in the Request for Action (*Resolved*). It does not provide authority and cannot be changed by delegates at the Annual Meeting (Convention).



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Teaching Hard History: American Slavery in K-12 Education

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Sixth District*

Read the full Resolution: bit.ly/2021CAPTAResolution

1 RESOLVED, That the California State PTA and its units, councils and districts educate on the importance of a comprehensive and truthful understanding of the origin, evolution, abolition and legacy of American slavery; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That the California State PTA and its units, councils and districts seek and support national, statewide and local efforts and programs that support teachers' professional development in teaching slavery - to develop mastery of content, to be prepared to facilitate difficult dialogues, and to access available supports; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That the California State PTA and its units, councils and districts seek and support legislation and/or regulatory processes to revise the California history-social science framework to fully integrate American slavery into U.S. History curriculum with detail, historical context and with connections to the present, including its lasting effects on racial relationships and the lasting cultural influence of enslaved and free people of African descent; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the California State PTA and its units, councils and districts seek and support legislation and/or regulatory processes, both at the state and local levels, to ensure that instructional materials include comprehensive coverage of slavery and enslaved peoples; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the National PTA and all state congresses requesting they take similar action.



What are PTA Resolutions?

PTA Resolutions come from our members and call attention to a problem and a need for action on a particular issue. They are a major source of authority for the California State PTA and its units, councils, and districts. If a problem or situation has statewide implications affecting children, youth and families, a resolution is one way to authorize PTA action. Other sources of PTA authorities include National PTA resolutions, California State PTA and National PTA position statements, and legislation platforms.

How are they different from other organizations' resolutions?

PTA Resolutions are not legislation and are very different from those that School Board or City Councils create. Our Resolutions provide direction (authority) for our membership to take action, they are not direct advocacy messages to state or federal legislators. Authority allows us to take positions on legislation, policy, and ballot measures. Resolutions may only be authorized by delegates to the California State PTA's Annual Meeting (Convention), using the procedures outlined in the California State PTA Resolution Procedure Book on our website. Units, Councils, and Districts cannot authorize Resolutions.

What are Resolution endorsements?

Endorsements (letters of support) can be made by PTA Units, Councils, Districts, and the state Board of Managers as well as community or education organizations. Endorsements are sought by the maker prior to the California State PTA Winter Board of Managers to show support as a resolution is considered for the Annual Meeting agenda. A PTA does not need to do a work-study to endorse a PTA Resolution.

A fun way to review and discuss before you vote on the resolutions to guide delegate action.

2021 Resolution Word Search

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Words are hidden ↑ ↓ → ← and ↘ .

slavery
teaching
economy
politics
race
society
embedded
injustice
africans
obfuscate
framework
curriculum
culture
origin
abolition
legacy
integrate
history
racial
relationships
instructional
comprehensive
rhetoric
change
schools
learning
knowledge
students
textbooks
adequate
disparities
wealth
housing
health
discipline
barriers
resistance
cruelties
triumphs
resilience
creativity
descendants
contributions
complexity