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2017
MARYLAND PTA
ANNUAL CONVENTION AWARDS
Honoring those who go above and beyond for PTA!

PTA Awards:

Golden Apple
Family of the Year
Educator of the Year
Dad 4 PTA
Maryland Lifetime Achievement Award
National PTA Life Achievement Award
Maryland PTA Phyllis Reed Award

Nomination packets will be due on June 16, 2017 by 4:30 p.m.

Maryland PTA's Awards Committee seeks nominations for outstanding PTA members to be recognized at the Maryland PTA Annual Convention on July 28 – 29, 2017. All awards are given to individuals whose contributions to PTA are exemplary. Individuals who serve as role models for others in their community. Individuals who maintain the integrity of the organization by living up to the Purposes and Mission of PTA. This is your opportunity to recognize and thank a special person you know who goes above and beyond for all children, the one who acts as a tireless advocate for children's education, health, and well-being.

PURPOSES OF THE PTA

- To promote the welfare of children and youth in homes, school, places of worship and throughout the community,
- To raise the standards of home life,
- To advocate for laws that further the education, physical and mental health, welfare, and safety of children and youth,
- To promote the collaboration and engagement of families and educators in the education of children and youth,
- To engage the public in united efforts to secure the physical, mental, emotional, spiritual, and social well-being of all children and youth; and
- To advocate for fiscal responsibility regarding public tax dollars in public education funding.

PTA's MISSION is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.

PTA VALUES

- **Collaboration:** We will work in partnership with a wide array of individuals and organizations to broaden and enhance our ability to serve and advocate for all children and families.
- **Commitment:** We are dedicated to children's educational success, health, and well-being through strong family and community engagement, while remaining accountable to the principles upon which our association was founded.
- **Diversity:** We acknowledge the potential of everyone without regard, including but not limited to: age, culture, economic status, educational background, ethnicity, gender, geographic location, legal status, marital status, mental ability, national origin, organizational position, parental status, physical ability, political philosophy, race, religion, sexual orientation, and work experience.
- **Respect:** We value the individual contributions of members, employees, volunteers, and partners as we work collaboratively to achieve our association's goals.
- **Accountability:** All members, employees, volunteers, and partners have a shared responsibility to align their efforts toward the achievement of our association's strategic initiatives.

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Eligibility

Nominees for a Maryland PTA Award must:

- Be a PTA member of the 2016– 2017 PTA Year
- Be a member of a local PTA unit that has met all requirements for Maryland PTA Standards of Affiliation, (by March, 31, 2017).

Criteria for Awards

- **Golden Apple (Local Unit Award)**--PTA member who by their actions consistently supports the five Purposes of PTA.
- **Family of the Year**--Two or more family members (PTA members) who willingly serve PTA and the community, support the school, and value the Mission and Purposes of the PTA. Services provided by the nominees must benefit the entire school or community, rather than their immediate family, and reflect the Purposes of PTA.
- **Educator of the Year**--An educator, and PTA member, who has fostered relationships between parents, the school, and the community and has shown outstanding commitment to the Purposes and Mission of PTA.
- **National PTA Life Achievement** --The National PTA Life Achievement Award honors someone who has made a contribution to children’s welfare, and persistently advocates for children in promoting the work of National PTA.
- **Maryland PTA Lifetime Achievement** – A PTA member who has made outstanding and exemplary contributions as established by Maryland PTA.
- **Maryland PTA Phyllis Reed Award** – A PTA member who has consistently exhibited exemplary work on behalf of Maryland PTA throughout the state on a volunteer basis. To be eligible for this award, nominees must sit on the Governance Structure of Maryland PTA or volunteer on behalf of Maryland PTA.
- **Dad 4 PTA Award** – A male PTA member who has made outstanding and exemplary contributions which reflect the Purposes of PTA.

Questions?

E-mail: office@mdpta.org

Phone: (410) 760-6221 or (800) 707-7972

Website: www.mdpta.org

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How to Nominate

- **Complete and submit the Awards Nomination Form**
- **Submit an Award Nomination letter**
- **Submit supporting documentation, (if applicable, see guidelines below).**
- **Forward the completed Awards Nomination Packet via postal mail or electronically to office@mdpta.org by 4:30 p.m., June 16, 2017.**

Award Nomination Letter

Briefly explain why the Nominee is deserving of the prestigious awards in 700 words or less. Please ensure that your Award Nomination letter meets each criteria of the award.

Supporting Documentation

Information to support all nominations, such as biographical sketches, news articles, citations, or letters of support from PTA leaders, civic leaders, principals, superintendents, student councils or others may be included.

Multiple Nominations

Individuals may be nominated for more than one award. If an individual is nominated for more than one award, please use separate forms for each nomination. PTAs are encouraged to consider nominations for parents, grandparents, teachers, school administrators, school support staff, instructional aides, cafeteria and custodial workers, bus drivers, crossing guards, etc... any PTA member.

All nominations should adhere to the Purposes and Mission of the PTA.

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Guidelines for Awards

Note: All nomination packets must be received in the Maryland PTA office by postal mail or electronically by close of business, 4:30 p.m. on June 16, 2017.

Mail nominations to: Maryland PTA, 5 Central Avenue, Glen Burnie, MD 21061.

Email nominations to: office@mdpta.org.

Nomination packets arriving after 4:30 p.m. on June 16, 2017 will not be considered.

1. A separate Awards Nomination form must be submitted for each nominee (except for the Family of the Year Award – one nomination form may be submitted for the entire family). If you are nominating more than one person or family, please use separate forms for each nomination.
2. Award Nomination letter and supporting documentation (if applicable) is limited to 700 words. If submitting by postal mail document must be double-spaced, typed and printed on one side only, 8 ½ x 11 paper.
3. Please ensure the information meets the criteria of the award.
4. Nomination Form, Award Nomination letter and supporting documentation (if applicable) must be submitted together in a complete packet. If not, the nomination will not be considered.
5. Names of all recipients of awards will be kept confidential. Persons who nominate the recipient and the County Council President will be contacted to assure the recipients attendance at the Award Ceremony. The person, who nominated the recipient or the Council President, prior to the presentation, should send confirmation of the recipient's attendance to the MDPTA at office@mdpta.org.
6. Maryland PTA Convention Awards Committee will recognize one person per award. The only exception is the Maryland PTA Lifetime Achievement Award in which two persons are recognized for this award.
7. Current members of the Maryland PTA Board of Directors and Awards Committee members are ineligible for all awards except for the Maryland PTA Phyllis Reed Award and the National PTA Life Achievement Award.
8. **DEADLINE:** All packets must be received by the Maryland PTA office by, 4:30 p.m. on June 16, 2017. Nomination packets arriving after, 4:30 p.m. on June 16, 2017 will not be considered.
9. **New:** Electronic submissions will be accepted at office@mdpta.org and should be received electronically no later than 4:30 p.m. on June 16, 2017.
10. Please make a copy of all nominations materials for your records.
11. Forms may be downloaded from the Maryland PTA website at www.mdpta.org.



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Maryland PTA Awards Nomination Form

One Form Per Nominee

Maryland PTA Convention Awards:

(check one)

- Golden Apple Award
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Nominee's Name: _____

Nominee's Home Address: _____

Nominee's Email Address: _____

Nominee's PTA/Council: _____

Number of years as PTA member (if known): _____

Nominated by: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: (h) _____ (c) _____

Email Address: _____

Nominator's PTA/Council: _____

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