Washington State **PTH** everychild.one voice.^{*} Checklist for Running Your PTA: A Month-By-Month Board To-Do List

July: Welcome to the new PTA year! PTA's fiscal year runs July 1 – June 30. The dates listed reflect best practices.

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Financial Review Complete year-end financial review by August 31.		Begin search for potential nominating committee members Review your board structure for next year			
Update calendar for membership meetings or PTA activities for the year Make sure your public-facing calendar is up-to-date for your members.		Changes in board structure need to be approved in standing rules before the nominating committee is elected. Attend your region's fall conference			
Speak at the August school staff meeting (with permission) Coordinate with the principal. Introduce yourself, talk about membership, share the benefits of PTA, explain any grants, reimbursement forms, programs, or events that directly affect staff.		Share online WSPTA leader resources with all officers Start your membership drive Was your PTA incorporated in August? If so, then your annual Corporation Renewal is due by 8/31. The annual corporation report is due regardless of your PTA's			
 Hold your first board meeting/retreat As a board: Set goals. Prepare for your first membership meeting, Review your budget and standing rules, and recommend these documents for approval at your first membership meeting. 		annual income and is separate from the Charitable Organization Registration/Renewal.			

September:

	Ongoing Tasks			
	Attend board and membership meetings		Review and ask questions about monthly	
	Read meeting minutes and offer		financial report	
	corrections		Prepare content for newsletter or social	
	Prepare reports for board and		media	
	membership meetings		Review and update your website	
	Attend training		Participate, help others, and communicate	
	Be familiar with your responsibilities and			
	fulfill them			
	Month	ly 1	Fasks	
	Hold an executive committee or board		Launch a membership drive if you have	
	meeting		not done so already	
	 Appoint a Financial Review 		Pay monthly membership invoice to	
	Committee.		WSPTA	
	• Review the WSPTA Standards of		Fees are invoiced monthly via email and	
	Affiliation checklist and assign		are due upon receipt. Consider setting up	
	tasks.		automatic debits with WSPTA for monthly	
	 Discuss how the training 		invoices.	
	requirement will be met and		Start promoting Reflections and get your	
	tracked.		chair trained	
	Register to attend WSPTA Legislative		Add council and/or state due dates to the	
	Assembly		calendar.	
	Participate in Curriculum Night and other back-to-school events		For secondary PTAs, start promoting the	
_			WSPTA//Game Development	
	Hold Committee Chair training		Competition Review Awards of Excellence and	
	Share the updated WSPTA leader			
	resources, including handbooks. Hold first membership meeting		Membership Awards forms	
			Plan now to apply for awards. Make sure committee chair and board	
	 Update and approve your standing rules, goals, and/or budget. 		contact information is in the membership	
	De la character ad la dest. 10		database. Include Reflections,	
	 Review the approved budget with members even if there are no 		-	
			membership, advocacy/legislative, and	
	changes since it was approved.		FACE. Let WSPTA know of any changes or	
	 It is a best practice to elect your nominating committee at this 		additions during the year.	
	nominating committee at this		Was your PTA Incorporated in	
	meeting.		September? If so, then your annual	
	 Present the results of the year-end financial review for the record 		Corporation Renewal is due on 9/30 . The	
	financial review for the record.		annual corporation report is due	
	Make sure at least one elected officer		regardless of your PTA's annual income	
	attends PTA & the Law		and is separate from the Charitable	
	Get all board members trained early!		Organization Registration/ Renewal.	

October:

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Attend training Be familiar with your responsibilities and fulfill them		Participate, help, and communicate		
Monthl	ly Tasks			
Review tasks from previous months		Check National PTA website		
related to nominating committee If you did not elect a nominating committee in September, be prepared to do this at your next membership meeting. Attend WSPTA Legislative Assembly Report back to members at the next meeting. Make sure your list of voting delegates is submitted to WSPTA by October 12. Complete all board training by end of the month		There are grant opportunities such as STEM+Families grants or program opportunities such as the Schools of Excellence program (enrollment deadline is October 15). Was your PTA Incorporated in October? If so, then your annual Corporation Renewal is due on 10/31. The annual corporation report is due regardless of your PTA's annual income and is separate from the Charitable Organization Registration/ Renewal.		

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Insurance payments due IRS Filings (990 or 990EZ or postcard) due November 15 Elect nominating committee at a membership meeting if not previously done When elected, update the committee materials/notebook and schedule overview meeting with committee WSPTA Officer Nominations due November 15 Consider nominating a leader from your PTA to serve on the WSPTA board of directors or encourage a leader to self- nominate for a position to be elected at the 2019 convention.		 WSPTA Uniform Bylaws Amendments due November 15 The WSPTA bylaws are built and approved by the members. If your PTA sees an area in the bylaws that is unclear, or you feel should be revised, then your PTA should consider submitting an amendment for consideration. Was your PTA Incorporated in November? If so, then your annual Corporation Renewal is due on 11/30. the annual corporation is due regardless of the income you bring in and is separate from the Charitable Organization Registration/ Renewal. 		

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Consider a holiday party You are halfway through the PTA year! Plan a winter membership campaign		Appoint an awards committee Consider the following WSPTA awards, as well as any special awards from your			
Mid-year financial review Consider doing a mid-year financial review in January. Gather a committee and set a date to do the review. Registered agent		school: Golden Acorn, Outstanding Educator, Outstanding Advocate and Student Advocate, Honorary Lifetime Membership. Proceeds from the purchase of these awards fund student scholarships.			
Double-check who the registered agent is for your PTA for the Secretary of State and the IRS. Consider changing to Washington State PTA as your registered agent if not already designated as such. WSPTA is a constant address that does not need to be changed or updated each year and is one of the benefits of affiliation.		Was your PTA incorporated in December? If so, then your annual Corporation Renewal is due on 12/31. The annual corporation report is due regardless of your PTA's annual income and is separate from the Charitable Organization Registration/ Renewal.			

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Reflections entries due to WSPTA by January 18 Conduct a mid-year financial review as a best practice Review goals and objectives set at the beginning of the year Are you on track? Do you need to make adjustments? Have you been sharing progress with your members? Engage in a winter membership campaign How close are you to applying for a Membership Achievement Award (applications due March 1)? Review Best Practices and Standards of Excellence forms Gather information for award binders (applications due March 1).		Determine other <u>Awards of Excellence</u> awards to apply for (applications due March 1) Advocacy Award of Excellence Family and Community Engagement Award of Excellence Outstanding Communication Strategy Outstanding E-Blast Outstanding Newsletter Outstanding Website PTAs Taking Significant Action Accept nominations for volunteer awards such as Golden Acorn 1099-MISC due for independent contractors Annual Combined Excise Tax form due to Department of Revenue by January 31 to remit sales/use tax (if applicable) Was your PTA Incorporated in January? If so, then your annual Corporation Renewal is due on 1/31. The annual corporation report is due regardless of your PTA's annual income and is separate from the Charitable Organization Registration/

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Apply for a WSPTA <u>Award of Excellence</u> this month Due March 1. Apply for a WSPTA <u>Membership</u> <u>Achievement</u> award – 100% membership or 100% staff Due March 1. Encourage your leaders to participate in WSPTA's <u>Leadership Academy</u> Due March 1. Launch the PTA <u>Men's Essay Contest</u> Deadline for submissions is March 1.		High school PTAs should advertise the WSPTA scholarship program Deadline for students: March 1. Attend a winter training or conference in your region (if offered) or participate in a webinar Make sure your nominating committee is in place Was your PTA Incorporated in February? If so, then your annual Corporation Renewal is due on 2/28. The annual corporation report is due regardless of your PTA's annual income and is separate from the Charitable Organization Registration/ Renewal.		

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Submit WSPTA Award of Excellence Due March 1. Submit WSPTA Membership Achievement award – 100% membership or 100% staff Due March 1. Submit WSPTA individual state-level award nominations Due March 1. Submit WSPTA's Leadership Academy form Due March 1. Remind members of PTA Men's Essay Contest deadline Deadline for submissions is March 1. Remind students of WSPTA//Game Development Competition deadline Deadline for students: March 1. Remind students of WSPTA scholarship program deadline Deadline for students: March 1.		Nominating committee completes search for next year's board by March 31 Proposed slate of officers must be publicly posted 15 days prior to the membership meeting. Survey membership to identify priorities for the coming year Essential information for budget planning. Consider providing volunteer recognition with a Golden Acorn or other WSPTA individual award. Treasurer recruits a budget committee to draft next year's budget Have the committee approved by the board. Make plans to attend WSPTA Convention Was your PTA Incorporated in March? If so, then your annual Corporation Renewal is due on 3/31. The annual corporation report is due regardless of your PTA's annual income and is separate from the Charitable Organization Registration/ Renewal.			

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At the April board meeting, have the budget committee present the budget The board votes to recommend it to the membership at the next membership meeting. Elect new officers and approve the proposed budget at a membership meeting Officers must be elected by June 30, but sooner allows time for transitions and training. Report new officers to WSPTA in the membership database. Complete WSPTA Standards of Affiliation (SOA) training requirement prior to WSPTA Convention Encourage officers to attend WSPTA Convention Counts as training for the following year.		Consider opportunities for volunteer recognition Check your standing rules for applicable individual volunteer recognition awards such as the Golden Acorn. Celebrate WSPTA's Founder's Day on April 14 WSPTA was founded in 1905 by Abby Williams Hill. Was your PTA Incorporated in April? If so, then your annual Corporation Renewal is due on 4/30. The annual corporation report is due regardless of your PTA's annual income and is separate from the Charitable Organization Registration/ Renewal.		

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deadlines for reimbursements in the membership database.	
Get word out to volunteers and school Charitable Solicitations Renew	val due May
staff. 31.	
Plan transition meetings for outgoing and Was your PTA Incorporated in	May? If so,
incoming board members then your annual Corporation	-
Work with incoming board members to due on 5/31. The annual corport	oration
identify candidates for non-elected board report is due regardless of you	r PTA's
and chair positions annual income and is separate	
Hold the last membership meeting to Charitable Organization Regist	
complete unfinished business Renewal.	
 Approve the budget and approve 	
any changes to the standing rules.	
 Review yearly goals and objectives 	
set in September.	
 Consider updating your budget to 	
allow for 2019-2020 membership	
pre-sales.	
 Standing rules updates may include 	
removing reference to an exact	
membership fee amount and	
changing to say something like,	
"Membership dues will not exceed	
\$15 for an individual member."	
This will allow flexibility for your	
board to adjust your dues amount	
if a dues increase from National	
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Schedule a summer board retreat and next year's membership meetings Meet with the school staff to discuss policies, calendars, and back-to-school volunteer needs Begin work on "first-day packet" or "summer mailer" documents		Communicate expectations with board members and chairs that need to get started in August Ask the principal if you may speak at an August staff meeting Inform teachers of grant options, classroom support, and PTA programs.		
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