



PTA PROGRAMS

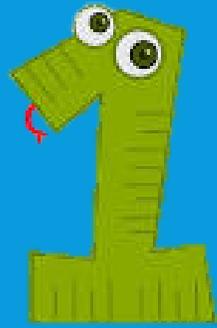
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INTRODUCTIONS

Who are you and what school are you from?
What you all are looking for out of this workshop?
Programs currently at your school by your PTA?



EVERY FUNDRAISER =

Three Programs

WHAT IS A PTA PROGRAM?

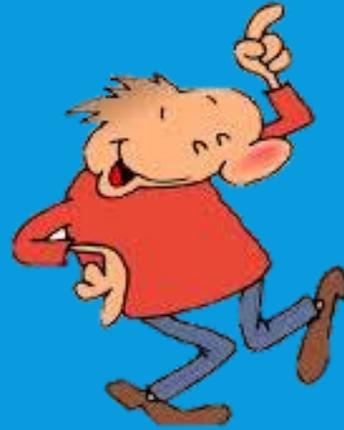
▪ PTA Programs improve the education, health, and well-being of our members and our community.

- Family Engagement
- Arts in Education
- Health and Safety
- Advocacy



WHAT IS NOT A PROGRAM?

- Fundraisers
- Parties/Dances
- Carnivals



- PTA's purpose: Not to raise \$!



PROGRAMS CHAIRS DON'T RAISE MONEY

Programs should support PTA's mission :To make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.

WHERE DO I GET A PROGRAM?

- Think of what you, as a parent, want or need at your school.
- Survey parents
- Survey students



PLAN YOUR PROGRAM

EXAMPLE: DRESS SHOP

- Identify Needs
- Define Scope of Program
- Organize a Committee
- Establish Goals & Outcomes
- Create a Plan of Work
- Budget – Be Realistic
- Promote the Program ~ give everyone plenty of notice!
- Deliver Program
- Evaluate the Outcome ~ survey attendees
 - How to deal with the negative ~ Ask them to volunteer



EXAMPLES OF FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMS

Take your Family to School Week: This annual celebration is timed to honor the day National PTA was founded: February 17, 1897. National PTA suggests that you plan to host two family education events during Take Your Family Week. Go to PTA.org for planning kit. National PTA's Take Your Family to School Week—February 16-20, 2015—will focus on the theme Supporting Student Success to promote family engagement solutions that are proven to help prevent the risks associated with high school dropout.

Three for Me: is a PTA program designed to effectively involve parents and families in support of children and their education. This program will help PTAs and parents find different ways to volunteer at home, in school, and in the community—all which support student learning. This way, parents can volunteer when they have time during the day, in the evening or on the weekends. Parent start by promising three hours of their time at your school.

School of Excellence: Survey your parents, decide from surveys a goal to work toward. Work toward goal with Administration and teachers help.

HEALTH & SAFETY PROGRAMS

- Bullying violence & injury prevention
- Antikidnapping seminar = empowering students
- Internet & cell phone safety
- Bike Rodeo Pedisafe
- 5K run



ARTS IN EDUCATION



- **Reflections** is a nationwide arts program sponsored by PTA. The program “provides opportunities for students to express themselves and to receive positive recognition for their artistic efforts.”
- **Art night**
 - Had students make placemats for Family Night
 - Caricature

ADVOCACY:



Legislative Education Conference



- Meeting with School Board Member
- Meetings with students
- Postcard campaign
- Student Representative
- Involve parents: I went car!
- Capwiz on your website
- Legislature on your website
- District info on your website, including Dr Vitti's email address

EXAMPLES FROM SCHOOLS IN OUR DISTRICT

- Elementary School Melissa Daniels "Advocacy"
- Junior High School Kari Bell Mandarin Middle "The Parent Workshop"
- High School – Julie Tomasino President, Terry Parker "Snyder Time"

MELISSA DANIELS SAN PABLO ELEMENTARY

A program can be as simple and effective as getting everyone in the same room!

KARI BELL- MANDARIN MIDDLE

Saturday morning of parent workshops: We offered a room with kid-friendly activities, too, so parents could attend workshops without distraction.

Partnering with our county school board (Family Engagement office) and feeder elementary schools, the event was publicized through multiple channels.

There were nine (9) total sessions, i.e. three presentations running concurrently during each 30-minute block. Attendees could choose from sessions on Student Achievement, Personal Growth, or Parent Advocacy.

JULIE TOMASINO – TERRY PARKER



SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE:

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- Sandalwood PTSA President did survey of 100 parents, teachers and administrators and shared the results with National PTA by Nov 1st
- Receive a customized "Roadmap to Excellence" containing recommendations that responded to our specific results from the Family-School Partnership Scan.
- Met with the Principal, picked a goal and laid out a plan
- Created a committee made of PTA, teachers and Administrators
- Went to work
- Completed the survey and end of the year and sent results to National PTA.

OUR GOAL:



Standard 1: Welcoming All Families Into the School Community. Families are active participants in the life of the school and feel welcomed, valued and connected to each other, to school staff and to what students are learning and doing in class.



AFTER THE PROGRAM

- Gather Feedback
- Ask & Answer
 - How did it go?
 - Were Goals & Objectives met?
- Procedure Books
- What would you change?
- Suggestions
- Update results in the Plan of Work
- Congratulate & Thank Committee and Speakers
- Communicate results back to Board/Members
- Ready to start building on the results?



FREE ANSWERS!





PLEASE COMPLETE THE
WORKSHOP EVALUATION!

