

Texas PTA Member Benefits



Local:

Your PTA membership help add to the income that is used to fund the following activities for our students: Art Parents, Cultural Arts Programs, DARE Program, Field Trips, Fifth Grade Activity, Grounds Improvement, Hospitality (Teacher recognitions), Literacy Programs, Odyssey of the Mind, Parent Education, RIF Distributions, Safety Patrol, Sanitary Hand Wash, Shelter in Place Kits, Teacher Resources, Teacher Scholarships and Visiting Authors? Becoming a member insures your ability to have a voice in the activities that are sponsored by the PTA. Also, your local membership connects you to the State and National PTAs which allow you “Members Only” access to websites which contain valuable information on parenting and education.

State:

- State headquarters with a staff available for assistance and direction for Local PTA officers and members at: 1.800.TALK PTA; the Texas PTA Web site, www.txpta.org; or by writing Texas PTA, 408 W 11th Street, Austin, TX 78701-2113.
- Leadership training through seminars, workshops, conferences, Summer Leadership Seminar and PTA Day at the Capitol (look under “Events” at www.txpta.org).
- Various materials available to Local PTAs: *The Voice*, Texas PTA Handbook, Flash Facts, Chairmen's Guides, membership promotions, Local PTA mailings and program resources. Many of these are available on the Texas PTA Web site.
- Scholarships for educators and students (look under “PTA Forms” on the members Web site, www.txpta.org/members).
- Annual state convention for training and state business (look under the Texas PTA Web site Events pull-down menu).
- Legislative updates benefiting the children of Texas (look under “Legislative News” at www.txpta.org).
- Six Issues of *TEXAS FAMILY MAGAZINE* for only \$12.95
www.texasfamilyonline.com
Texas Family Magazine is the leading parenting resource, offering expert advice on child-rearing, education, health & fitness, travel and the arts.
- *EDGEducational Benefits*
www.edgebenefits.net/txpta
The EDGEducational Benefits Program offers the access to information about educational scholarships, financial aid and the information you need to know as a parent or student.
- *Advantage Benefits Program*
www.advantagebenefitsprogram.com/
Save money on prescription drugs, hotels, entertainment, groceries, identity theft and credit card protection and accidental death insurance. The cost is \$24.95 per year.
- *Tara Energy*
www.taraenergy.com/Tara06/Default.aspx?tabid=87
You can save money and support the Texas PTA and your local PTA by using Tara Energy as your electricity provider.

National:

- *Our Children* magazine, PTA's flagship publication with parenting articles by experts on children's health, education, and well-being; and information on advocacy efforts; the latest news that affects children and youth.
- Professionally designed public service announcements (PSAs) to aid in membership recruitment.
- Teacher Appreciation Week ideas.
- Online parenting resources, including select articles from *Our Children* magazine.
- E-newsletters on parenting and legislative issues.
- Leadership training opportunities in person and online.
- Discounted member rate for PTA's annual national convention, magazine subscriptions and more.
- The Member-to-Member Network, connecting you to Congress when help is needed on issues important to children, schools and families.