




Arizona PTA E-News - August 2023 #1

“One day middle school will end and become high school and after that it just becomes life. All those things you think are important now won’t be anymore.” – Diary of a Wimpy Kid



**Congratulations Arizona School of Excellence Designees**

Our National PTA 2022-2024 School of Excellence Designees from Arizona are:

- Desert Willow Elementary PTA - Tucson
- Eagle Ridge Elementary PTSA - Phoenix
- North Ranch PTA - Scottsdale

Congratulations to these three units for applying and succeeding on their School of Excellence quest. The 2022-2024 National PTA Schools of Excellence are designated in recognition of their commitment to building an inclusive and welcoming school-community where all families contribute to enriching the educational experience and overall well-being for all students. Stay tuned on social media at @NationalPTA and through [National PTA's e-newsletters](#) as National PTA continues to celebrate School of Excellence designees for their incredible efforts to enhance family-school partnerships and improve student success! [School of Excellence - Programs | National PTA](#)

### Attend Mental Health Matters Arizona 2023 Conference

The mission and purpose of the Mental Health Matters Arizona 2023 Conference is to educate the community at large on mental health, substance abuse, LGBTQIA+ and eating disorders and provide information on Arizona resources that are available, specifically around these issues. Please attend to raise awareness and learn how to best support your family members and the community. 15 volunteers are needed to help the day of the conference, please reach out to Christine Driscoll to become a volunteer at [cdriscoll@discoverybh.com](mailto:cdriscoll@discoverybh.com)

To attend conference register here <https://secure.givelively.org/event/mental-health-america-of-arizona/mental-health-matters-arizona-conference-2023>



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# MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS ARIZONA CONFERENCE

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## A FREE conference for anyone in the community that supports youth!

Come learn about the resources and programs offered in Arizona for youth as they relate to:  
Mental Health • Substance Use • Eating Disorders • LGBTQIA+

Keynote speaker: **Brandon Lee**

Mental health breakout sessions: **Transitions Counseling; Kid in the Corner**

LGBTQIA+ breakout sessions: **one-n-ten; Mulligan's Manner**

Substance use breakout sessions: **Community Bridges; PAL; Community Medical Services**

Eating Disorder breakout sessions: **Dr. Dena Carbrera; Center for Discovery**

Lunchtime crisis resource panel featuring:

**988 • Teen lifeline • Mind 24/7 • La Frontera Impact • City of Scottsdale Police Crisis**

### SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

8:30am to 1:00pm • ASU Skysong • In-person and virtual  
[mentalhealthmattersarizona.com](http://mentalhealthmattersarizona.com) • 602-705-2735



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## Membership Mania Kicks Off

National PTA is excited to share their membership initiative for

local PTA/PTSA leaders—**Membership Mania**—a fun and interactive journey that connects local leaders to other passionate leaders, is returning **August 15, 2023!** **Sign up** to get free resources that will naturally integrate membership into all things PTA and join National PTA this school year to strengthen membership together and make every child's potential a reality!



**Details:**

- Year-long initiative with free tools and resources, as well as fun activities and challenges.
- Participate in calls with National PTA and other PTA leaders in your group for interactive discussions that will enable you to learn from, and grow with, other local leaders.
- Several opportunities to **win awesome prizes!**

**[Membership Mania - Run Your PTA | National PTA](#)**

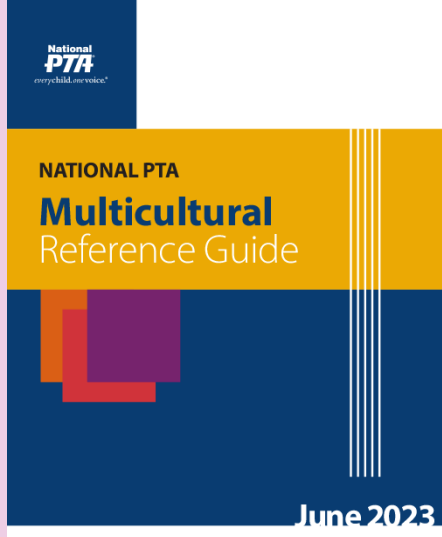
## Center for Family Engagement's Five-Year Anniversary

Celebrate the Center for Family Engagement's Five-Year Anniversary with National PTA! Hear from PTA leaders who have transformed family engagement in their communities, test your skills in a game of trivia and choose a breakout room to learn more about the Center's resources or the School of Excellence program updates. Mark your calendars and join National PTA on **August 17, 2023**, at 6 p.m. EDT. **[Register to attend](#)**. **[Meeting Registration - Zoom](#)**



## Multicultural Reference Guide

National PTA has produced a Multicultural Reference Guide. You can discover a rich array of strategies, resources and information that all of our PTA/PTSA members—and our communities—can utilize to be welcoming and inclusive to our growing diverse populations. The guide contains information, resources and key strategies to enhance PTA's inclusion of traditionally underrepresented children



and families. The guide is available in English and Spanish.

[pta-multicultural-reference-guide.pdf](#)  
[pta-multicultural-reference-guide-esp.pdf](#)

## Green Lights Grant Initiative

Keeping our students safe and healthy is our top priority. Just Keep Livin Foundation's [Green Lights Grant Initiative](#) is a big step forward in connecting school districts to federal school safety grants to advance this goal. National PTA is looking forward to working with Matthew McConaughey, Camila Alves and the School Superintendents Association on this work. [Greenlights Grant Initiative](#)



## Insurance Deadline is Here!

All local PTA/PTSA unit insurance renewals will be paid directly to AIM Insurance. Insurance renewals must be completed by August 15, 2023, or a \$25.00 fee shall be assessed after August 15, 2023. For complete information go to:

[Insurance - AIM | Arizona PTA \(azpta.org\)](#)

[AIM Renewal Link - AIM - Association Insurance Management, Inc. > My Policy \(aim-companies.com\)](#)





# SOA TO-DO LIST

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\* SUBMIT OFFICER'S LIST

\* UPDATE OFFICERS IN  
GIVEBACKS/MEMBERHUB

\* PAY AIM INSURANCE

\* COMPLETE OFFICER TRAINING ONLINE  
IF NOT ALREADY DONE

\* REVIEW OTHER UPCOMING  
DEADLINES AND DOCUMENTS



 [www.azpta.org/leaders-documents](http://www.azpta.org/leaders-documents)



- COTTONWOOD ELEMENTARY PTSA
- KINGSWOOD PTSA
- LAS BRISAS PTSA
- SABINO HIGH PTSA
- FINE ARTS ACADEMY PTSA
- SONORAN FOOTHILLS PTSA
- JASINSKI PTSA
- EFGA SCORPIONS PTA
- COLLIER COYOTE PTSA (AVONDALE)
- AZACS PTA (ARIZONA AUTISM CHARTER SCHOOL K-4)
- DESERT WILLOW ELEMENTARY PTA
- MAVERICKS PTA
- UNION PARK PTSA
- FEES MS PTSA (FEES COLLEGE PREP MS PTSA)

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## Calendar

August - National Immunization Month - [National Immunization Awareness Month \(NIAM\) | CDC](#)

August - Children's Eye Health and Safety Month - [Promotional Materials for Eye Health Observances - American Academy of Ophthalmology \(aao.org\)](#)

8/15/2023 - AIM Insurance Payment Due for local PTA/PTSA units. [AIM - Association Insurance Management, Inc. > My Policy \(aim-companies.com\)](#)

9/30/2023 - Arizona PTA Teacher of the Month Applications Due [Teacher of the Month | Arizona PTA \(azpta.org\)](#)

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