



State Legislative Priorities

Georgia PTA serves to strengthen collective voices to educate, empower, and engage families and communities to advocate on statewide issues that affect the lives of our children. The legislative priorities are based on child related education and safety policy issues surveyed by the members of Georgia PTA.

Georgia PTA 2015-16 state legislative priorities includes:

- Georgia PTA support efforts to increase state spending in public Pre-K – 12 and post-secondary education and equitable distribution of public funds for public schools.
- Georgia PTA support more efficiently and effectively family engagement initiatives to increase student achievement and parent involvement in decisions of their children in our local schools.
- Georgia PTA support the constitutional authority that continues local control, accountability, and transparency of public schools by local school boards of education as specified by current state requirements.
- Georgia PTA support efforts to maintain the responsibility of developing education curriculum and assessments by the Georgia Department of Education.
- Georgia PTA support safe and supportive environments that ensures all children are safe in their homes, communities, and schools including school safety zones and school buses.
- Georgia PTA support education to ensure families are better informed on the use of technology in schools and their rights under federal law to protect their children identity and student data.
- Georgia PTA support stronger legislation and policies that reduce criminal acts, abuse, neglect, bullying, and unintentional injuries to children, and the privacy of personal information.
- Georgia PTA support efforts to strengthen Georgia's law that criminalize domestic minor sex trafficking and enforce strict penalties associated with child trafficking and exploitation.

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