

PTA Ethical Conduct Agreement

Board members must:

1. Uphold the Mission, Bylaws, Purposes, and Basic Policies of the Illinois PTA.
2. Respect all members of the board, and refrain from comments, public and private, which defame the work or character of any board member.
3. Respect the confidentiality of any information, both oral statements and written materials.
4. Respect and support decisions adopted by the board and made within the parameters of Robert's Rules of Order. Disagreements with those decisions need to be brought before the PTA board. Those decisions deserve the respect and confidentiality of each member of the board.
5. Recognize that the PTA president is the official spokesman of the PTA.
6. When making personal statements, declare publicly that the statements are personal and are not being offered as the position of the PTA.
7. Respect the PTA and not make statements that will undermine the public confidence in the association or damage its reputation.
8. Acknowledge that the dignity of each individual is a right that needs to be recognized and protected by individuals contributing to a board environment that is fair and democratic.
9. Respect the board and the president by providing adequate information concerning an absence, or resignation.
10. Resign when unable to fulfill the duties of the position.
11. Recognize, that when conflict arises, it is the obligation of each board member to address that conflict in an atmosphere of respect and democracy. When the conflict becomes harmful to the PTA, it is the duty of board members to resign.
12. Refrain from using one's position for the personal financial gain of self, family, or personal friends.
13. Acknowledge acceptance of "Guidelines for Ethical Conduct" by signing the Ethical Conduct Agreement. Signed copies shall be retained by board member and president, and be on file with the secretary.

Any infraction of the Ethics Statement shall be reviewed by the executive committee of the PTA. If further action is deemed appropriate by the executive committee, recommendations of the executive committee may be referred to the full executive board for that action to be approved.

The executive board may make additions or revisions to this statement at their scheduled meetings as part of board standing rules and policy review. Board members who are in violation of any of the Bylaws, or not upholding the Purposes or Basic Policies of the Illinois PTA may be subject to dismissal.

As a member of the

PTA Board, I agree to the above.

Signature of Board Member

Date

Copy to: board member, president, and secretary's file.



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