

RESOLUTIONS

CRITERIA



Please review your submission for the following criteria. All criteria must be met for the Legislation Policies committee of the Illinois PTA to present to the State Board of Directors and subsequently to the Delegates at the Illinois PTA Convention for adoption.

- concern the Legislation Platform of Illinois PTA, (see Illinois PTA Bylaws, Article XXI-Legislation)
- must have been adopted by a local unit and/or council
- must contain the local unit and/or council president's signature
- not be in conflict with a present position of Illinois PTA, National PTA, or the PTA Mission and Purposes
- be statewide in scope
- be considerate of 'Local Control' unless it can be demonstrated by documentation that controlling entity frequently have made choices that jeopardize the education, health, protection, safety, welfare or civil rights of children in regard to the issue at hand
- be accompanied by sufficient documentation to prove the preamble – this should include the most recent research on the issue – (the “Whereas” clauses) and that the Resolution would solve the problem in some measure. (Documentation may include agency or other organization documents and research – newspaper editorials and articles alone are not adequate.)
- be considerate of fiscal and/or time restraints, which may require an ordering of priorities in issues addressing the education, health, protection, safety, and welfare of children.
- if requesting National as well as State action, have sufficient supporting documentation for presentation to the National Resolutions Committee (see pta.org Resolution Toolkit)
- be written in appropriate language
- be in harmony with the basic policies and Purposes of PTA
- be different from a position or action already taken by Illinois PTA or National PTA
- be typed, double-spaced, titled and submitted with Resolutions Cover Sheet (see Resolutions Checklist)

Resolutions submitted will be reviewed by the Legislation Policies Committee to assure that they meet criteria. Submitting PTA or Council will be notified if Resolution meets criteria.

Resolutions submitted that are determined to not have met criteria, may be withdrawn by the submitting PTA or Council. The submitting PTA or Council may choose to present resolution from the floor at the Illinois PTA Convention, during the Resolution period of the program, after all other Resolutions have been considered and if time remains.

For additional information regarding Resolutions, please contact Illinois PTA Resolution Committee at info@illinoispta.org.