Did you ever wonder where the Illinois PTA stands on issues that come up in the day to day life of a PTA leader? Did you ever wonder how you might find out where we stand on any given issue? Challenging questions, but our directives come from YOU, our members.

The stand we take is related to the positions that have been adopted by Illinois PTA convention delegates just like you and are developed and expanded as the need arises. Sometimes an issue results in the creation of a Resolution which outlines an issue or concern, then offers some solutions for how to address that issue or concern.

Other questions revolve around legislation being introduced in the Illinois General Assembly. How do we decide to support, oppose, or only watch bills? We have policy documents to point us in the right direction. One of those documents is the Legislation Platform, which sounds fancy but really is a listing by topic of legislative items we support. Another piece is Statements of Position that give fuller meaning to our policy agenda. Our final piece, Continuing Positions, preserves the work established by earlier Resolutions.

Local questions and concerns? The Legislation Platform can help you figure out how to respond. Legislation that crosses your path? The Legislation Platform can help you once again.

Think about a time when you were asked, “What is the PTA stand ...” Not sure how to respond? Check out the Platform! It can be your key to unlocking advocacy in your PTA and becoming a Champion for Children.