



2025 FLORIDA PTA *Legislative Action Priorities*



OUR MISSION

Our mission is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.

A powerful voice for all children;
A relevant source for families and communities, and a strong advocate for the education and well-being of every child.

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WHO WE ARE

The Florida Parent Teacher Association is the largest statewide volunteer organization working exclusively on behalf of children and youth. Founded in 1921 as a branch of the 6 million member National PTA, Florida PTA is made up of approximately 1,400 local units with more than 300,000 Florida members seeking to unite home, school and community for all children.

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➤ Parental Rights

- **Parent Information:** Provide clear, comparable data on student and school performance.
- **Early Evaluations:** Inform parents of their right to request learning disability screenings.
- **Caregiver Education:** Empower families with knowledge about healthy screen time habits and the prevention of exposure to violence and exploitation of all forms.

➤ Safety

- **Data Privacy:** Strengthen protections for student information.
- **Safe Campuses:** Continue to prioritize funding for school safety.



➤ Funding

- **Funding for Schools:** Increase Base Student Allocation by at least 5% and provide additional flexibility for school districts.
- **Capital Needs:** Allocate funds based on school site needs.
- **Education Workforce:** Advocate for competitive salaries to attract and retain top-quality education staff, driving student success and economic growth.

➤ Attendance

- **Chronic Absenteeism:** Define chronic absenteeism and allow school districts to initiate intervention programs sooner.

➤ Child Welfare

- **Access to Care:** Ensure families have affordable health care and essential resources.
- **Affordable Childcare:** Provide high-quality childcare and a full day PreK program.
- **Basic Needs:** Address housing & employment needs for families.
- **Diversify Graduation Pathways:** Continue support for ELL, ESE and CTE pathways to graduation and transition programs.
- **Mental Health Support:** Increase the mental health allocation and allow school districts flexibility in spending.

