

The PTA Link

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Hamilton County Council

PTA

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Upcoming Events

August 8th Meet Dr. Johnson, our new Superintendent, 5:30-7:00 pm, Bessie Smith Cultural Center, 200 E ML King Blvd.

August 16th County Commissioners Meeting, 9:30am in Room 402, Hamilton County Courthouse.

August 17th Local Units Meet and Greet, 6-8 pm, The Edney Innovation Center, 5th Floor, 1100 Market Street.

Place your unit's special events here.

Message from the Council President

Wayne S. Brown



PTA is the largest child advocacy organization in the US. In Hamilton County, we have more than 60 local units who ensure our students' voices are heard. Being an advocate means going the extra mile to get things done. This may be gathering signatures to present an issue to County Commissioners, giving an interview to the newspaper on a particular issue, or standing around waiting for the opportunity to talk to a City Council member during a community event. Whatever it takes, we will get it done. Here are three ways to get started:

- PTA Takes Action is a site that keep members connected with issues at the federal level. If you want to sign a petition to stop Classroom Budget Cuts, National PTA has made it easy. Follow this link: <https://www.votervoice.net/Shares/BZcVRATmAEIRAADTpDR7FAA>
- Tennessee PTA has nine legislative priorities. We can and will achieve these priorities. Find which priority you are most passionate about and join us. Here's the link: <http://tnpta.org/legislative-priorities.html>
- Currently, the Hamilton County Council has two position statements:
 - The council supports implementing seat belts on school buses and the installation of additional cameras.
 - The council supports measures in bullying and harassment prevention.

Let us know if you want more info on being better advocates for our students in Hamilton County. Look forward to seeing you out on the front lines making a difference.

Unit Highlights

Summer Leadership Training



Big shout out goes to Allen Elementary for hosting the 2017 Summer Leadership Training. Members from across the county participated in one-on-one training, small group training, and interactive seminars. If you missed it, we have some of the presentations in PowerPoint and PDF formats. Email

Soddy Daisy High



Soddy Daisy High Band gave the performed to an audience of over 400 people. The performance was in conjunction with a dinner fundraiser. Members of the PTA were an integral part of making the night a success. Thanks for all you do for our students.

LOCAL UNITS MEET AND GREET

WHEN
August 17, 2017, 6-8pm

WHERE
The Edney Innovation
Center, 5th Floor

1100 Market St., Chattanooga, TN 37414

HOSTED BY
Hamilton County
Council of PTAs

THIS IS A FREE EVENT

**COME OUT TO
MEET OTHER
LOCAL UNITS**

**MEET COUNCIL
BOARD
MEMBERS**

**EXCHANGE
IDEAS**

**TALK WITH
OTHERS WHO
WANT TO MAKE
OUR SCHOOLS
THE BEST**

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[HTTP://WHOOZIN
.COM/CKM-EJR-
TGFP](http://WHOOZIN.COM/CKM-EJR-TGFP) TO
REGISTER**

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Treasurer's Corner

As of June 2017, the Council had a checking account balance of \$3,580.60.
Karen Jenkins, Council Treasurer

Want to be on the Board of Managers?

We have a place just for you. We have openings for the following chairpersons:
Resolutions and Legislative, Health and Wellness, Bylaws and Standing rules, Diversity, Reflections, Citizenship and Safety.

Social Media

Follow the council on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/hcptacouncil/> and on Twitter at <https://twitter.com/hcptacouncil> . Also, send us your unit's social media info. We want to follow you and keep up with your events.

Web Links Council Website: hcptacouncil.org

Tennessee PTA: tnpta.org

National PTA: pta.org

The PTA Link is a newsletter published by the Hamilton County Council of PTAs. This letter will contain vital information to the PTA local units in Hamilton County. Listed in each newsletter will be deadlines, reminders, updates and information about news and events.

Your article and editorials are welcome. Please send them to:

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PTA Purposes

To Promote the welfare of children and youth in places of home, school, community and the place of worship.

To raise the standards of home life.

To secure adequate laws for the care and protection of children and youth.

To bring into closer relation the home and school, that parents and teachers may cooperate intelligently in the education of children and youth.

To develop between educators and the general public such united efforts as will secure for all children and youth the highest advantages in physical, mental, social and spiritual education.