

## Purposes of PTA

- To promote the welfare of children and youth in home, school, community and 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 the 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.

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### California State PTA Mission Statement

The mission of the California State PTA is to positively impact the lives of all children and families by representing our members and empowering and supporting them with skills in advocacy, leadership and communications.

## A Century of Caring

**Throughout our history, PTA has championed social, health, safety and education issues affecting children and youth.**

- 1900s** Juvenile Justice & Child Labor Laws
- 1910s** Establishment of Kindergarten
- 1920s** Nationwide Children's Health Project
- 1930s** Nutrition & Emergency Services
- 1940s** National School Lunch Act
- 1950s** Salk Polio Vaccine Trials
- 1960s** Child Protection & Toy Safety Laws
- 1970s** Television & Media Violence
- 1980s** HIV/AIDS Education Program
- 1990s** TV Ratings & National Education Goals, Class-size reduction campaign
- 2000s** Parent Involvement Standards defined in Federal Law
- 2010s** State Anti-Bullying Law & SMARTS - Arts Education campaign

# *Celebrating* The PTA Legacy

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