

MONTANA PTA

2012 LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM

1. **Support the 2004 Montana PTA resolution in regard to sex offenders and proximity to schools and parks.**

Action to be taken: The Montana PTA Advocacy Chair will actively work to find a state legislator to carry this legislation for us in the 2013 Legislative Session.

2. **Support the 2011 Montana PTA resolution in regard to safe routes to school (if adopted at the 2011 Convention).**

Action to be taken: The Montana PTA Advocacy Chair will actively work to find a state legislator to carry this legislation for us in the 2013 Legislative Session.

3. **Support the 2011 National PTA resolution in regard to sexting.**

Action to be taken: The Montana PTA will convey information to PTA members, legislators, and school leaders regarding the importance of educating parents and youth about the legal consequences of sexting and cyberbullying.

4. **Support the 2008 National PTA resolution in regard to prescription and over the counter drug abuse.**

Recent surveys of Montana Youth show an increased use/abuse of prescription and over the counter drugs.

Action to be taken: The Montana PTA will convey information to PTA members, school leaders, and parents regarding the importance of educating parents and youth about the dangers of abuse of prescription and over the counter drugs.

5. **Support Adequate Public Education Funding**

The Montana PTA and National PTA support adequate funding for public education.

Action to be taken: The Montana PTA will convey information to members regarding the legislation impacting education funding through the Member-to-Member Network.

6. **Support the 2008 Montana PTA resolution in regard to leave time for parental involvement.**

Action to be taken: The Montana PTA Advocacy Chair will actively work to research the methods that were successful for other states that successfully passed this legislation with the goal of presenting this to the 2013 legislative session.