

MONTANA PTA PROGRAM INFORMATION

Montana PTA Outstanding Educator Program

A recognition program to honor educators in Montana

The Montana PTA allows each PTA unit to recognize an educator (one per PTA) from their school for their outstanding professional abilities and relationship with their students, parents, PTA and community. From those nominated by local units, the Montana PTA Outstanding Educator Committee will select one educator to be honored as the Montana PTA Outstanding Educator of the Year. The Montana PTA Outstanding Educator of the Year Award will be presented at the Annual Montana PTA Convention.

Montana PTA Outstanding Volunteer Program

A recognition program to honor PTA volunteers in Montana

The Montana PTA allows each PTA unit to recognize a PTA volunteer (one per PTA) from their school for service to PTA and their community. From those nominated by local units, the Montana PTA Outstanding Volunteer Committee will select one PTA volunteer to be honored as the Montana PTA Outstanding Volunteer of the Year. The Montana PTA Outstanding Volunteer of the Year Award will be presented at the Annual Montana PTA Convention.

Montana PTA Scholarship Program

A scholarship program funded by donations to the Montana PTA

The Montana PTA offers two scholarships yearly to students who are working towards a college degree in a teaching/education field. These scholarships are funded in three ways – direct donations from local units, councils and individuals; a portion of the proceeds from each new Montana PTA Honorary Life Membership; and the MPTA convention scholarship raffle proceeds. The Scholarship Application information is sent to all high schools located in Montana towns and to all Montana universities and colleges in December of each year. The application is available on the Montana PTA website. Additional information is available from the Montana PTA Program Chair at program@montanapta.org.

MONTANA PTA LENDING RESOURCE LIBRARY

The Montana PTA maintains a diverse program lending library. Resources in the library come in a variety of formats such as video, audio, pamphlets, brochures, publications and computer disks. The library contents are included listed on the MT PTA website and may be requested/checked out at any time.

MONTANA PTA *Voice*

Additional program information may be found in the Montana PTA *Voice* which is sent via email to all local unit officers from each local unit nine times each year. Additional individuals can request to be included on the email list to receive the Montana PTA *Voice* by contacting the Montana PTA Office.

REFLECTIONS

An arts recognition program in cooperation with the National PTA

Montana PTA local units can choose to participate in the National PTA *Reflections* program through the Montana PTA. All participating units must be in good standing with the Montana PTA, which means, membership dues and the annual liability insurance premium must be current in payment. [Program rules, forms and complete information to facilitate the Reflections program information can be found in the “Reflections – Cultural Arts” section of the Montana PTA website.](#) For additional information on this program visit the National PTA website at www.pta.org, or contact the Montana PTA Office at 628-9007 or ptamontana@rbbmt.org.

National PTA Programs Quick Reference Guide

Additional programs information may be found in the *Programs* Quick Reference Guide which can be found in the Back-To-School Kit sent to each local unit president in August. This Guide may also be downloaded from the National PTA Website at www.pta.org.

BUILDING SUCCESSFUL PARTNERSHIPS

A parent involvement program in cooperation with the National PTA

Several members of the Montana PTA Board of Directors are certified trainers in this National PTA parent involvement program – BSP. Each trainer can present a program to your PTA, school, or community to define and develop the components of an effective parent involvement program that will benefit students, parents, educational professionals and the community. For more information or to schedule a presentation, contact the Montana PTA office, visit the Montana PTA website, or the National PTA website.

Montana PTA office contacts:

Phone – 628-9007

E-mail – ptamontana@rbbmt.org

Montana PTA website: www.montanapta.org

National PTA website: www.pta.org

Note: To receive these and other useful resources, your unit must be in good standing. To find out what it takes to be a unit in good standing check the above locations.