

The vision of PTA is to make every child’s potential a reality.

PTA works in classrooms and communities, but we also advocate to decision-makers, locally and in Olympia, for the well-being and education of all children. During the annual legislative assembly, delegates decide the public policy positions that guide state and local advocacy work for Washington State PTA and its associated local PTAs and councils. Your responses will assist your voting delegates who attend the WSPTA Legislative Assembly on October 26-27, 2019.

Before completing this survey, please read the complete Voters’ Guide regarding the proposed legislative principles, legislative issues, resolutions and persuasive statement.

Thank you for advocating for children. Together we speak with a powerful voice!

Proposed Legislative Principles

The WSPTA Legislative Principles are long-term positions that fill the gaps in the short-term issue platform when an emergent issue arises for members to advocate on behalf of children.

Proposed New Legislative Principle #1

Family and Community Engagement: Creating a safe and welcoming school culture where all families and communities are offered a meaningful opportunity to participate

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment Legislative Principle #2A (member submitted)

Family and Community Engagement: Outreach to all communities, to increase awareness of the importance of family and community engagement at every level of public policy **including site-based decisions**

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment Legislative Principle #2B (as amended by WSPTA Board of Directors)

Family and Community Engagement: Outreach to all communities, to ~~increase awareness of the importance of family and community engagement~~ **engage parents and families** at every level of public policy **including site-based decisions**

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Legislative Issues

Legislative issues make up WSPTA’s short-term, two-year legislative platform. At legislative assembly in odd-numbered years, delegates vote on additions to the “also supported” list and amendments to the platform. Delegates will vote on adding the following proposed new legislative issue and amending an issue.

Proposed New Issue #1

Equitable Identification of Highly Capable Students

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment Issue #2

Prevent Gun Violence

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Resolutions

Resolutions are long-term advocacy positions, and guide advocacy work from local to state levels. The delegates will be voting on the following four proposed new resolutions and 15 proposed amendments of existing resolutions.

Proposed New Resolution #1A (member submitted)

Gun Violence Prevention and Safety – Students and School Staff

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed New Resolution #1B (as amended by WSPTA Board of Directors)

Gun Violence Prevention and Safety – Students and School Staff

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed New Resolution #2

Vital Impact of Membership on PTA’s Sustainability

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed New Resolution #3

Equitable Education Opportunities to Close Gaps Across the Achievement Spectrum

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed New Resolution #4

Mission-Focused Fundraising

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #5

1.8 Substance Abuse Use Disorder Education and Its Prevention

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #6

1.10 Adolescent Marijuana Use Prevention

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #7A (submitted by WSPTA Resolutions Committee)

2.1 Safe Travel Routes and Parking Lots

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #7B (WSPTA Board of Directors' Amended Version)

2.1 Safe Travel Routes and Parking Lots

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #8

2.2 Child Identification Programs

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #9

2.9 Emergency Preparedness

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #10

2.13 Youth Suicide Prevention

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #11

2.14 Child Abuse Prevention Supports: Educational and Support Resources for Parents

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #12

4.12 ~~Parent and Community Involvement~~ Family and Community Engagement in Education

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #13A (submitted by WSPTA Resolutions Committee)

5.3 Arts in Education in Public Schools and Washington State

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #13B (WSPTA Board of Directors' Amended Version)

5.3 Arts in Education in Public Schools and Washington State

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #14

11.1 Juvenile Diabetes

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #15

11.11 Indoor Air Standards

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #16

11.22 Allergies and Asthma

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #17

14.4 Digital and Internet Safety

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #18

18.11 Common School Construction Funding

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #19A (submitted by WSPTA Resolutions Committee)

18.25 Rights and Services for Undocumented Children and Youth Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors (DREAM) Act Immigrant Children and Families

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Proposed Amendment of Current Resolution #19B (WSPTA Board of Directors' Amended Version)

18.25 Rights and Services for Undocumented Children and Youth Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors (DREAM) Act Immigrant Children and Families

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree

Demographic Information

1) Which describes you?

- K-12 student
- Parent or Guardian of a K-12 student
- School staff
- Community member
- Other _____

2) Which school(s) and grade levels are you associated with?
