

WSPTA Awards & Programs – 2025-2026

Celebrate your PTA's success by participating in the PTA and Council Awards of Excellence, as well as other PTA programs!

The purpose of the Washington State PTA Awards and Recognition Program is to celebrate the efforts of PTAs and councils for making a positive impact in their communities. These awards and programs also enhance awareness of the WSPTA mission and objectives. When PTAs and councils are acknowledged for their contributions, it fosters a sense of pride within the community and encourages individuals to engage with the PTA.

LOCAL PTA AND COUNCIL AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE - Due Date March 12,

- Must be in compliance with the requirements of the WSPTA Standards of Affiliation to apply.
- All awards are open to local PTAs, community PTAs and councils.

<u>Advocacy Award of Excellence</u>	Recognizes PTA and council programs, projects, and activities/events that increase awareness of and participation in advocacy issues at all levels.
<u>Family and Community Engagement (FACE) Award</u>	Recognizes PTA and council programs, projects, and activities/events that increase family and community engagement and involvement.
<u>Diversity, Inclusion and Outreach Award (DIO) (new 2024)</u>	Recognizes PTA and councils that promote diversity, inclusion and outreach by recognizing programs, projects, and activities/events that increase engagement and involvement. What does diversity, inclusion and outreach look like at your local PTA or council?
<u>Communication Strategy Award</u>	Recognizes PTA and council use of all forms of communication. Use of multiple forms of communication is important in reaching all the membership and/or community served.
<u>Outstanding Newsletter</u>	Recognizes PTA and council newsletters, as they are an important and effective form of communication.
<u>Outstanding Website</u>	Recognizes PTA and council websites, as they are an important and effective form of communication.
<u>Outstanding New PTA (new 2025)</u>	Recognizes new PTAs to encourage the use of the best practices of PTA management. This award is done in a three-year process.
<u>Standards of Excellence (Outstanding PTA of the Year)</u>	Recognizes and encourages the use of the best practices of PTA management. This award is a great place for all local PTAs and councils to start. Participation in this award and reaching Gold/Platinum puts your PTA in the running for Outstanding PTA of the Year.
<u>WSPTA Standards of Affiliation Award</u>	Recognizes PTAs and Councils that have completed the WSPTA Standards of Affiliation form.

Apply today and start building the PTA pride in your community!

Other Program and Award Opportunities

<u>National PTA Reflections</u>	Reflections is a National PTA arts recognition program for student's pre-K through grade 12. Councils are required to run a Reflections program. Students create original works of art and then write a response to the theme. The 2025-2026 Theme: "I Belong" DUE DATE to WSPTA: January 14, 2026 at 10:00pm
<u>WSPTA Essay Contest</u>	This statewide essay contest explores the important and varied influencers in the lives and education of children – from the children's perspective. This program is "ready-to-go" and is easy to promote. Due Date 3/12/26
<u>Leadership Service Award</u>	The purpose of the program is to recognize and acknowledge leadership skills attained by PTA leaders throughout all levels of the association. PTA leaders are encouraged to apply for the Leadership Service Award and submit their activity annually to create a record of their leadership in the association. Due Date 3/12/26
<u>WSPTA Scholarship</u>	Washington State PTA (WSPTA) offers four \$2,500 scholarships to graduating seniors from Washington state public high schools with an active PTA, who will be starting college (either two-year or four-year) in the fall. Due Date 3/12/26

