

Be A PTA Professional

- Be positive.
- Delegate.
- Keep information in confidence.
- Use discretion and tact.
- Show appreciation to everyone who contributes to the success of your PTA.
- Develop a good working relationship with the administration and the school staff.
- Assume the prescribed PTA legal and fiduciary responsibilities on behalf of the members you serve as president. This requires knowledge, commitment, and time.
- Avoid conflict if possible. Communicate fairness and understanding.
 1. Always remember, the PTA administers the PTA, and the principal administers the school.
 2. PTA has responsibility to be involved in issues concerning children and youth.
 3. When these issues are controversial, PTA must be careful about taking sides; don't alienate members of your community.
 4. As PTA president, you represent PTA positions even though you may personally disagree and have the responsibility to distribute PTA information to members.
 5. Remember that because of your position as president, you will be identified with PTA, even if your intent is only to act as a concerned parent.
 6. Some issues do not merit PTA involvement, such as strikes.
- Always remember you have only one agenda—the children—not a personal agenda.

During the time you serve, PTA becomes a part of your life. Prioritize and delegate and you will learn from and enjoy this opportunity for growth in your life.