

Application for the Utah PTA Leadership Academy Spring Class of 2025

The application closes Wednesday, December 11, at 11:59 pm

Utah PTA's Leadership Academy is excited to welcome a new cohort of leaders who are eager to develop skills that can enhance their PTA and communities. This series of four sessions provides participants with proven strategies in *family engagement, advocacy, outreach, and communication*. This opportunity is offered at <u>no cost</u> to PTA leaders. Lunches are included.

Program Commitments

The Utah PTA Leadership Academy offers PTA volunteers an immersive leadership development opportunity. The individual's and group's success is dependent upon complete attendance, engagement, and participation. As such, we ask that you check your calendar and lean on your support systems to ensure you are available to attend and fully engage in all sessions.

- 1. Monday, January 13, 9 am 4 pm
- 2. Tuesday, February 25, 10 am 3 pm
- 3. Friday, March 28, 10 am 3 pm
- 4. Thursday, April 17, 9 am 4 pm

Optional: PTA Day at the Capitol, February 7 (Regions 4, 5, 9, 10, 11) or February 21 (Regions 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 12, 21) We will have a tour of the capitol building at 10 am prior to the region meetings with legislators. You are welcome to bring friends for the tour. Registration is required at www.utahpta.org.

To assist candidates in completing their application, the following summary provides a detailed overview of all required questions within the application.

Please confirm the following.

- You will get the most out of this experience when you can be fully present during all four sessions. With that in mind, are you able to arrange or secure childcare for the dates mentioned?
- The Leadership Academy experience is more than just the time we spend learning. It is designed for you to build a network outside of your community. Does your family support you not being available on the dates mentioned?
- Sessions are scheduled on weekdays. Do you have the support of your family, supervisor and co-workers to participate fully in the Academy?
- A few hours of homework will be assigned before each session. Are you willing to complete assignments so you are prepared for the sessions?

Application Summary

We suggest preparing your responses in advance to ensure a smooth application process.

Candidate Information

- Contact information (name, address, phone, and email)
- Profile (age, gender, and ethnicity)
- Candidate availability for session dates
- PTA membership is required. (Name and region of the PTA where you are a member)

Short Answer Responses (100 - 200 words each)

- Explain which part of PTA's Mission Statement is meaningful to you and why.
- Describe a leadership experience within PTA or another community organization. Discuss what you accomplished and what you learned about yourself or others.
- Identify a challenging task or assignment that you have accepted. Describe why it was a challenge, how you overcame any barriers, and the results of your efforts.
- Choose two leadership qualities that you would like to enhance or develop, and describe the value of mastering those skills.

Supporting Documentation

- Upload a current personal or professional resume (optional)
- Provide contact information for two references. (optional)
 - 1. Someone who can speak to your leadership skills and potential.
 - 2. A current PTA leader whom you have worked with.

Please contact Stacey Mollinet at stacey@utahpta.org with any questions regarding your application.