

Leslie C. Boggs President

March 26, 2021

Dear PTA Council Members:

It is with deep regret that I must inform you that the Board of Directors of National PTA has voted to revoke the charter of the Maryland PTA effective immediately.

As you know, National PTA has attempted to work closely with the Maryland PTA for more than a year to bring it into compliance with the National PTA Standards of Affiliation Policy. We were not able to achieve this objective. National PTA cares about all our members. We listened to your concerns and requests for National PTA to intercede on your behalf. While it may have appeared that we were not working on your behalf, please know we were following National PTA Bylaws and Standards of Affiliation Policy, Maryland PTA Bylaws and the nonprofit laws of Maryland to protect your assets.

While we were successful in resolving the litigation between National PTA and Maryland PTA and creating virtual meeting guidelines, we were unsuccessful with the following urgent issues:

- Obtaining all information, financial and operational, necessary to confirm proper procedures were followed
- Establishing annual meeting/convention dates and election procedures
- Defining a nomination process that included electing a president

The revocation of the charter has the following consequences:

- The entity formerly known as the Maryland PTA no longer exists.
- All Maryland PTA council and local PTAs will be supported by National PTA until a new state entity is created.

We understand that you will have a lot of questions about how we will move forward. We will not have all of the answers immediately, but we are committed to finding the answers to provide you with the much-needed support you deserve.

We will host our first meeting with PTA leaders on Wednesday, March 31, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. Eastern. Please register by 12:00 p.m. Eastern on Wednesday, March 31, 2021, at the link below:

https://pta.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0sdO2spjwoE9dnWQbcHU6u6Yq7u6Nb R i

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Please feel free to share this information with other PTA leaders who will benefit from this information. We also request that all council PTA presidents distribute the information to local PTA leaders within their council PTAs. If you forward to other PTA leaders, please forward their names and unique email addresses to <u>mdpta@pta.org</u> so we have their information in order to accept their registration.



It is unfortunate revocation was enacted; however, we are confident better and brighter days are in store for our PTA leaders and members in Maryland. We will need all your support to ensure the success of PTA in Maryland.

Your work on behalf of all children and PTA is important to us. Please continue to use <u>mdpta@pta.org</u> to communicate with the support team members. If you prefer to speak to someone directly, please call the National PTA office at 703.518.1261, identify yourself as a local or council PTA leader in Maryland, and a support team member will get back to you as quickly as we can.

Sincerely,

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