

Leadership Resources

PTA Quick Reference Guide

Illinois PTA Answer Book

Illinois PTA Helping Hands

Illinois PTA Yearbook

PTA Road to Success Course

PTA Money Matters Course

PTA Council Course

PTA President's Course

ABCs of PTA Finance

PTA and the Law

Robert's Rules of Order, Newly

Revised

Local Unit/Council Bylaws

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Leadership Development Program

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Illinois PTA University Degree Program

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Illinois PTA University

The Illinois PTA University is an incentive program to encourage leadership development. Each level recognizes the accomplishment of PTA members who have earned recognition by completing several requirements.

Requirements include attendance at a variety of workshops, courses, and PTA events. Any PTA member may participate in the program. There is no time limit for completion of the requirements to earn the “degrees.”

Transcripts (applications) are available at all events and may be signed by any state board member, district director, or workshop presenter. Completed transcripts may be sent to your District Director or the Leadership Development Chairman.

Recipients will receive recognition at the Illinois PTA Convention.

“Bachelor’s Degree” Requirements

- PTA Road to Success (this course covers PTA structure, policies, roles of officers, and parliamentary procedure).
- PTA Money Matters (this course is an introduction to PTA financial considerations).
- Attendance at a PTA district or council meeting or workshop (this may include a District Annual Meeting or Conference, or Council Workshop/School of Information).
- Attendance at a state Legislation Conference or state workshop (such as a Leadership Conference); does not include workshops at the Illinois PTA Convention.
- Attendance at the Illinois PTA Convention.

“Master’s Degree” Requirements

- Completion of the “Bachelor’s Degree.”

Choose four from the following “electives”:

- Completion of the ABCs of PTA Finance workshop.
- Completion of the PTA and the Law workshop.
- Completion of the Council Study Course.
- Completion of the President’s Course.
- Attendance at an Illinois PTA Legislation/ Advocacy Conference.
- Attendance at a National PTA Convention.

“Doctoral Degree” Requirements

- Completion of the “Bachelor’s” and “Master’s” degrees.
- Completion of a Train the Trainers Course (requires recommendation by district director, Field Service Area Representative, or State Board of Managers member).
- Completion of a “Thesis Project” such as submitting a resolution or a bylaw amendment to the Illinois PTA, hosting a candidate forum, or any other project approved by the Leadership Development Chairman in consultation with the appropriate District Director, Field Service Area Representative, or other State Board of Managers member.



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