

Virginia PTA VOICE

March 1, 2010

Dear Carla,



Our Legislation Chair and Committee along with the Capitol Committee have been busy this Legislative session. Read the General Assembly [Interim Report](#) and [Bill Tracking Report](#) submitted by Kathy Burcher, Legislation Chair. The budget crisis in Virginia is going to take a toll on funding that supports public schools. Stand up and voice your comments about public education funding - [Take Action](#)

[Virginia](#).



Student Opportunity

The Virginia High School League (VHSL) Student Leaders Conference is April 16-17. [Learn more](#) and promote this valuable event to High School students.

New Unit "To-Do" List

A new page has launched on the Virginia PTA website created to help new PTA/PTSA units with the first steps as they build their unit. Is your unit just getting off the ground? [Visit the Welcome Page](#).



Reserve Your Hotel Room today for 2010 LTC

The Building Blocks of PTA - LTC 2010 - is July 16 - 17 this year in Mechanicsville (just NE of Richmond). [Download](#) the *Save the Date* flier and hotel information to get the details.



Internet Safety 101sm Launches Nationally

Virginia PTA is a proud partner to Enough is Enough. [Read about](#) our partnership and find out about how you can offer this powerful program in your community. [Learn about the national roll out](#) of this successful program.



Attention Secondary PTA/PTSAs!

[Give us your input](#) on what Middle and High School-specific content you would like to see featured on the Virginia PTA website.



Submit a Nomination by March 6!

Each year, the Virginia Lottery recognizes Virginia's teachers. [Nominate a Super Teacher today!](#)

First Lady Michelle Obama kicks off "Let's Move" to Fight

Childhood Obesity [Learn about](#) the national initiative to raise a healthier generation of kids.



Quick Links

Links to often-viewed vapta.org web pages

[Membership Dues Remittance form](#)
[Bylaws library](#)

Mark your Calendars...

Upcoming dates you don't want to miss!

State Bylaws Amendments due (postmarked) Mar 1
[Hearst Award](#)



[PTA Forms](#)
[Submit Officer Contact Information online](#)
[Take Action Virginia](#) - advocate for our children
[Contact Virginia PTA](#)

Applications due **Mar 1**
VA PTA [Scholarship](#) Applications Due (postmarked) **Mar 1**
Super Teacher Award nominations **Mar 6**
[National Legislative Conference](#),
Washington, DC - Mar 9-11
National PTA Convention, Memphis, TN
Jun 10 - 15
[Leadership Training Conference](#),
Mechanicsville, **July 16-17**

District Meetings are coming soon...

It's important for each district to hold a well-attended annual meeting so that the business of the district can be done. Look for an invitation with details about your meeting in the mail and on the [website](#).



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