

*Congratulations  
to the  
NJPTA 2018 Local Unit Success Award  
Recipients*

**Advocacy - Pohatcong PTA, Warren County**

The PTA advocated for the health and welfare of their children by educating and encouraging the community to support a ballot question to use Open Space for the purpose of recreation.

**Arts in Education - Kennedy School PTA, Morris County**

The PTA hosted a Guided Painting Family Night. The PTA engaged a local artist to teach the children to paint a landscape, which extended the lessons the students were learning in the classroom.

**Communication - Manchester Township PTA, Ocean County**

The PTA website is a comprehensive resource for PTA and community members. The PTA introduced new social media tools - Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and the Remind App to communicate with their member base.

**Communication - Zane-North School PTA, Camden County**

The PTA created a Twitter account to improve communication, promote school events and highlight the teachers, students and the PTA. The PTA website gives members pertinent information about PTA meetings, programs and events.

**Environmental Awareness - Hawthorne Park PTA, Burlington County**

The PTA implemented a recycling program to help children and families learn about the importance of recycling. The recycling program takes place in the classroom, lunchroom and at home.

**Family Engagement - Green Township PTA, Sussex County**

The PTA fostered a relationship between their town, local businesses, school staff/administration, the Board of Education, the Town Council, non-PTA member parents, PTA members and their students to build a new playground for their K-8 students.

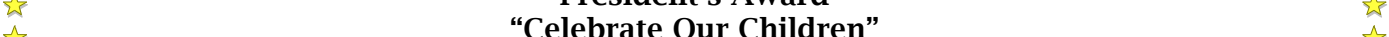
**Healthy Lifestyles - Long Beach Island PTA, Ocean County**

The PTA supports the schoolyard garden through funding that allows the faculty to provide garden-based learning across the curriculum to PreK - Grade 2 students. The outdoor classroom allows students to explore all aspects of gardening from planting to harvesting.



**Membership and Outreach - *Florence Twp. Elementary School PTA, Burlington County***

To increase membership, the PTA educated their school community about the history of PTA, what their PTA does and hoped to accomplish, and how parents could get involved. The PTA instituted several new membership incentives for both students and teachers.



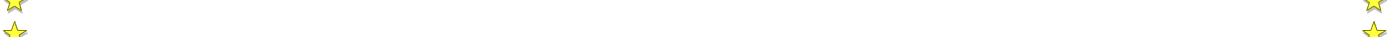
**President's Award  
"Celebrate Our Children"**



***Joseph E. Steinert Memorial High School PTA  
Mercer County***



The PTA developed and coordinated a Boardwalk Night to educate the school, students and community about many issues including teen suicide prevention, addiction awareness, LGBTQ issues, and much more. Students and community groups set up booths with boardwalk games and information on the various issues. Proceeds from the games were donated to the charities that helped sponsor the evening. This event was a fun evening out for the community and brought important resources directly to students/families potentially at need/risk.



*Congratulations  
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NJPTA 2018 Outstanding Educator  
Recipients*

**Outstanding Superintendent**

Dr. Joseph Meloche, Cherry Hill School District  
Nominated by Cherry Hill East High School PTA, Camden County

**Outstanding Principal**

Valerie Cioffi, Meadowbrook School  
Nominated by Meadowbrook School PTA, Monmouth County

*Honorable Mention*

Dr. Anthony Arico III, Virgil I. Grissom Elementary School  
Nominated by Virgil I. Grissom PTA, Middlesex County

Geta Vogel, Warren County Technical School  
Nominated by Warren County Technical School PTA, Warren County

**Outstanding Teacher**

Kristin Nunes, Jefferson Elementary School  
Nominated by Jefferson Elementary School PTA, Union County

*Honorable Mention*

Lindsay Burnett, Ocean Township Elementary School  
Nominated by Ocean Township Elementary School PTA, Monmouth County

James Mosser, Union High School  
Nominated by Union High School PTA, Union County