

PTA COUNCIL OF HOWARD COUNTY: GENERAL MEETING

Monday, October 6, 2025

2nd OF 2025-26 SESSIONS

Location: Homewood Center Cafeteria

Website: www.ptachc.org Email: board@ptachc.org

GENERAL MEETING

- 7:30 PM Call to Order, Establish Quorum, Mission Statement
President's Report (Cat Carter – president@ptachc.org)
HCPSS Family Resource Kickoff; Boardsmanship Training
- 7:33 PM Approval of Minutes (Ruth Cung – secretary@ptachc.org)
- 7:35 PM Treasurer's Report (Laurie Ramey – treasurer@ptachc.org)
Questions on approved Budget
- 7:40 PM Vice-President of Operations (Megan Brauner – vpoperations@ptachc.org)
Review of Committees; Volunteer Thank-You
- 7:45 PM Vice-President of Advocacy (Anthony DeBella - vpadvocacy@ptachc.org)
PTACHC Testimony Recap; Capital Budget Timeline; Public Hearing Dates
- 7:50 PM Legislative Chair (Brent Loveless – legislative@ptachc.org)
Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance (APFO) Report
- 8:00 PM Updates from the Board of Education (Meg Ricks – meg_ricks@hcpss.org)
- 8:05 PM Guest Speakers – Howard County State Delegation
Discussion topics: 2026 Legislative Efforts; School Funding; Status of Blueprint Implementation
- 8:40 PM Q&A with Howard County State Delegation
- 9:00 PM Adjournment

IMPORTANT DATES:

- 10/6 County Council Legislative Meeting 7:00 PM
- 10/7 Boardsmanship Training 7 PM; [Zoom Meeting](#) (Free State PTA)
- 10/9 Board of Education Regularly Scheduled Meeting 4 & 7:00 PM
- 10/20 County Council Legislative Meeting 7:00 PM
- 10/16 Boardsmanship Training 7 PM; Wilde Lake HS Cafeteria (PTACHC)
- 10/23 Board of Education Regularly Scheduled Meeting 4 & 7:00 PM
- 11/3 PTACHC November General Meeting**

RESOURCES HIGHLIGHT:

National PTA's Awareness Calendar

National PTA's Awareness Calendar highlights a diverse range of holidays, traditions, awareness events and celebrations that may be observed in your community. We encourage PTA leaders to use this resource to be mindful of holidays when scheduling programming, to learn more about holidays celebrated in different cultures and to begin conversations in your community.

[awarenesscalendar-25-26.pdf](#)

Free State PTA

STANDARDS OF AFFILIATION CHECKLIST LOCAL PTA/PTSA

https://www.fspta.org/files/ugd/d2f0e2_220de8f03af64855999b81f65e455c30.pdf

Howard County Office of Children & Families

Children & Families promotes the well-being of children birth to five years old by providing services and supports to their families and caregivers and supports the initiatives of the Early Childhood Advisory Council. The Office offers a wide array of services and resources to promote healthy development, school readiness and strengthen families.

[Children & Families | Howard County](#)

PTACHC Delegate Report Form

Date of Meeting: _____

Refer to agenda for notes on main points/issues of meeting:

List issues voted on, what they were and what was the result of the vote on each issue:

List any matters referred to local units:

List future meetings:

Delegate's Signature:

Delegate's Guide

Delegates are the most important communication link between your local PTA and PTACHC. The local PTA's bylaws determine how their delegates are selected. The monthly General Meetings provide an opportunity for delegates to present ideas, debate issues, become better informed, make personal contacts with other PTA leaders, and vote on PTACHC business. *Please forward your delegates' contact information to the council office after their election.*

COUNCIL DELEGATE RESPONSIBILITIES

The Council PTA Delegate has an essential and very important role in PTA. Each PTA has 2 delegates + the PTA president.

Each Delegate has the following responsibility:

Council:

- Attend all PTA Council regular meetings or see that an alternate attends instead.
- Represent your Local PTA as a voting member of the PTA Council body.
- Participate in all PTA Council discussions and deliberations. Each delegate (or alternate, if the delegate is not in attendance) is entitled to make motions, debate and vote at each PTA Council meeting.
- Take careful notes of announcements and the program at the PTA Council meeting.
- As a delegate you are expected to vote as directed by your local PTA unless authorized by your local PTA to use your own judgment. It is preferable for delegates to ascertain local opinion prior to voting. However, when time does not permit or consultation, a delegate must vote their conscience utilizing their own experience and good judgment. Each delegate has one vote, even though they may be representing more than one PTA unit.
- The privileges of introducing motions, debating and voting are limited to the voting body, which consists of the president of each local PTA or their alternate, two delegates or their alternates from each local PTA, and the members of the PTACHC Board of Directors (the officers and standing committee chairs).

Local Unit:

- Attend all meetings of the Local PTA.
- Maintain a procedure book.
- Using a PTA Council Delegate Report Form, report on the PTA Council meeting to your Local PTA members and/or its board of directors.
- A copy of this form should be filed with your PTA Secretary.
- Post announcements of PTA Council activities in the Local PTA's bulletin or newsletter.

Thank you to all who advocate on behalf of all children with one voice.