



Outstanding Parent Involvement Award

Presented in partnership with

**Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association (TEPSA)
Texas Association of Secondary School Principals (TASSP)**

Purpose of Award

This award recognizes Local PTAs who have worked to create an environment that is open to all parents and have made a commitment to their students' success through active and engaged parent involvement.

Award Criteria

- Parent Involvement program must be in conjunction with a Local PTA.
- Local PTA must be in good standing with Texas PTA.
- Parent Involvement program must have been in operation during the current school year.
- Programs at all grade-levels are eligible for consideration.
- Winners of the previous year's Outstanding Parent Involvement Award are not eligible for consideration.

Program Presentation

Local PTAs will need to provide documentation that creates a comprehensive overview of their parent involvement program. Sample promotional materials, pictures and data are all encouraged as part of the presentation. There are no parameters on the length of the presentation, but please keep in mind that it must be in a format that is easily uploaded via the Texas PTA Web site.

Program Criteria

To offer Local PTAs guidance in preparing their presentation, we have provided the criteria below. The following items represent basic content for a presentation; however, presentations are not limited to only these criteria.

- Primary purpose of the parent involvement project. If the project was designed to address a specific challenge, briefly explain.
- How do parent involvement events/activities relate to campus goals or solve problems?
- Creative ways the site-based decision making group make parents feel part of the team.
- How does your campus welcome parents and the community?
- Mentoring projects (e.g. Title I Advisory Groups, tutoring, literacy projects, etc.)
- Translating newsletters and other communications for multi-lingual families.
- Consideration of child care, transportation and schedules of working parents when planning meetings, programs or activities.
- Does your campus have an active volunteer program? Describe any business or community partnerships that played a role.
- How does your Local PTA work to publicize your efforts?
- Describe any unanticipated challenges and how they were overcome.
- Provide results of this program or the potential impact it may have in the future.

Award Submission

- This award will be submitted electronically via the Texas PTA Web site no later than **May 15, 2010**.
- Award submission forms will be available beginning April 1, 2010.