

119th Ohio PTA Convention



**AMPED UP FOR
ALL KIDS**

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Convention Registration

Dear Ohio PTA Members,

On behalf of the Governance Team of Ohio PTA, it gives us great **Satisfaction** to invite you to attend the 119th Annual Convention of Ohio PTA in Lewis Center, Ohio Friday, April 24 through Saturday, April 25, 2026. Our convention hotel is the Ohioan Hotel and Event Center. Past convention attendees may recognize the hotel as the Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center and it's **So Good to be Back**. It has been rebranded to The Ohioan Hotel & Event Center. The new Ohioan name is reflective of the facility's history and **Glory Days** dating back to the 1950s with rich character and stately **Style**.

Convention is **The Most Wonderful Time of the Year** when we get to see our PTA friends from all over the state while also allowing for you to take part in the business of the association. We can't wait to **See You Again!**

From first timers to seasoned delegates, Convention has something for **Everybody**. *Yeah...* Convention is the time and place to get energized and be inspired to help you grow as a leader. It feels like you are **Walking on Sunshine**.

Convention provides PTA members the opportunity to:

- Foster relationships with other volunteer-minded delegates because **We are Family**
- Be **Rolling in the Deep** with sharing experiences and best practices
- Develop new connections with other delegates and organizations from around the state
- Vote on bylaws that govern our state association
- Hear from keynote speakers that will **Light Your Fire** for advocacy
- Participate in motivating and informative workshops to put you and your PTA skills **On Top of the World**

The 2026 Ohio PTA Convention theme **Amped up for All Kids** puts the spotlight on our mission "to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children."

Pack your bags, **Hit the Road, Jack**, and join us in Lewis Center April 24–25!

Music (and PTA) Sounds Better with You,

Nicole Lesnick

Ohio PTA President

Convention Schedule at a Glance

Friday, April 24

5PM to 8PM

Registration begins

John E. Fisher Lobby

First Timers Table

NorthPointe Prefunction

6 PM to 7PM

Workshop Session 1

7PM to 8PM

Opening Remarks and
Guest Speaker

NorthPointe Ballroom

8PM to 8:15 PM

Ohio PTA Partnership
Annual Meeting

NorthPointe Ballroom

8:30PM to 10 PM

VIP Meet and Greet
Reception

NorthPointe Prefunction

Area

Ticketed Event

Saturday, April 25

7AM to 7:45AM

Breakfast

Ohio Dining Room

8AM

Report time for General
Session 1

NorthPointe Ballroom

8:15AM to 10:15 AM

General Session 1

NorthPointe Ballroom

10:30AM to 11:30AM

Workshop Session 2

10AM to 3PM

Vendor Village

*NorthPointe Prefunction
and Study*

12:30PM to 2:30 PM

Reflections Celebration
and Luncheon

NorthPointe Ballroom

Ticketed Event

2:45PM to 3:45 PM

Workshop Session 3

4PM to 4:25 PM

Officer Meet and Greet

NorthPointe Ballroom

4:30PM to 5:30PM

General Session 2

NorthPointe Ballroom

7PM to 9PM

Awards Dinner and
Celebration

NorthPointe Ballroom

Ticketed Event

9PM to 11PM

The Unplugged PTA Game
Night: Just Fun, No
Instruments!

Scholarship Fundraiser

NorthPointe Ballroom

Ticketed Event

Convention Information

Workshops Convention

There are three workshop sessions scheduled.

- Workshop Session 1: Friday, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m
- Workshop Session 2: Saturday, 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
- Workshop Session 3: Saturday, 2:45 a.m. - 3:45 a.m.

Exhibitors and Sponsors

Please take this opportunity to visit and thank our exhibitors and sponsors - their participation is vital to the success of our convention! In-person Exhibitor hours: Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

The Virtual Vendor Village will be housed on the Ohio PTA website following Convention 2026, and will remain open for one calendar year.

Information and First Timers

If this is your first state Convention, the Information and First Timers' table is where you can visit to get your questions answered and grab your first timers' bingo card!

Once checked in at registration, stop over at this table on Friday 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Plan to be in the group First Timers photograph following General Session II on Saturday.

Friday VIP Meet and Greet

A VIP Meet and Greet event will be held in the prefunction area of the NorthPointe Ballroom. Join the Ohio PTA Board of Directors and other leaders from all over Ohio for a fun night of getting to know each other.

This is a ticketed event.

Reflections Celebration and Luncheon

Our annual Reflections Celebration and Luncheon brings together our state level Reflections winners and their families to celebrate the arts.

This is a ticketed event.

Banquet and Awards Recognitions

Join us Saturday night for dinner and the Ohio PTA awards program to celebrate our leaders in their PTA efforts over the 2025-2026 school year.

This is a ticketed event.

The Unplugged PTA Game Night: Just Fun, No Instruments!

End your convention experience with a game night to help raise funds for scholarships!

This is a ticketed event.

Convention Registration

Register Online at <https://my.cheddarup.com/c/2026conventionampedupforallkids/items>

Friday/Saturday

- \$100 before March 1st
- \$125 before April 1st
- \$150 until April 15th

Saturday Only

- \$100 before April 15th
- \$125 Onsite Registration

No advance registrations accepted after April 15, 2026 . Registrations after that date will be processed on-site only at an additional \$25 of listed registration fee.

Ticketed Events

- \$15 VIP Meet and Greet (selection of small bites and 1 non alcoholic drink per ticket)
Cash Bar Available
- \$30 Reflections Celebration and Awards (plated luncheon)
- \$35 Awards Celebration Dinner (buffet dinner)
Cash Bar Available
Includes The Unplugged PTA Game Night: Just Fun, No Instruments! ticket
- \$5 The Unplugged PTA Game Night: Just Fun, No Instruments! (Scholarship Fundraiser)

All meals will be ticketed, and every attendee must be individually registered and paid for. All meals must be purchased by the April 15th deadline and ticketed. There may be limited meal purchasing on site, if available.

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Event Fee Cancellation / Refund Policy - REGISTRATION DEADLINE: April 15, 2026

- Event registration and payment must be received prior to the registration deadline.
- Registrants who have paid in full and cancel before the registration deadline will receive a full refund, less \$25 processing fee.
- Upon receipt of event registration, the registrant is responsible for the full event fee whether they attend or not. No refunds will be given for cancellations received after the registration deadline or for no-shows.
- Registrants will be billed for any unpaid amounts due.
- Registrants may send a replacement at no additional charge.
- Registrants or replacements who do not show up to the event will not receive a refund.
- Registrations received after the registration deadline will only be handled as on-site registrations.
- Hotel rooms and reduced room block rate are not guaranteed for on-site registrations.

Hotel Information



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**100 Green Meadows Dr S
Lewis Center, OH 43035
614-880-4300**

Hotel reservations are to be made on your own under the Ohio PTA block at the Ohioan Hotel and Event Center [using this link](#) or by calling the hotel directly at **614-880-4300** and using the **code 2604PAREN** to receive the discounted rate for the 119th Ohio PTA Convention.

Ohio PTA Rate is \$169 plus tax per night.

Reserve before March 25, 2026 Availability of rooms cannot be guaranteed after this date.

Hotel reservations and inquiries are to be directed at the hotel.

The hotel cannot guarantee overnight room availability for on-site registration; the room block rates will not be in effect after the deadline date.

Scan the QR code to make your hotel reservation today!

