



SCPTA Award of Excellence in Legislative Advocacy

Form must be completed and all award criteria submitted to be considered for judging. Please submit two (2) copies of your application and all supporting documentation and attachments. Application must be postmarked by March 1st. This award will be presented at the annual SCPTA Convention.

Name of Local PTA/PTSA Unit _____

School Address _____

City _____, SC Zip Code _____

School Website _____ PTA District # _____ Council _____

Name of PTA President _____ Phone # _____

Elementary School Middle School High School Other _____

Award Criteria

LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY	POINTS	TOTAL
Send Name, Address, and Phone Number of Local Unit Legislative Chair to SCPTA office by September 1	20	
Attend Legislative or Advocacy Workshops at SCPTA Leadership Training and/or Convention	___ x 15 (number of attendees)	
Write a letter early in the school year introducing yourself to elected officials. Let them know that you 1) represent your local, Council, or District PTA, 2) are concerned about issues affecting children, 3) want to work with them to assure we do what is right for SC's children, and 4) can be contacted if they would like more information on where PTA stands on issues. You may send the same letter to each official.	___ x 5 (number of letters sent.) Submit copy of letter and list of names and contact information	
Sign up new members for Member to Member Network at State and National PTA levels	___ x 1 (number of new members)	
Participate in Legislative/Advocacy Events focused on National PTA and/or SCPTA Platform issues	___ x 15 (number of participants)	
Include Legislative Articles in PTA/School Newsletters focused on National PTA and/or SCPTA Platform issues	___ x 10 (number of articles)	
Write letters to the Editor About National PTA and/or SCPTA Platform Issues	___ x 10 (number of letters) Include copy of newspaper clipping.	
Give a Legislative Report at PTA General Meetings on National PTA and/or SCPTA Platform issues	___ x 10 (number of reports given)	
Write/Email/Call appropriate Elected Officials on PTA/SCPTA Platform issues	___ x 5 (number of communications)	
Host a visit by invited Elected Officials* to Your Community	20	
Host a "Meet the Candidates" Forum/Reception which incorporates Nat'l PTA/SCPTA Platform issues	25 + ___ x 1 (number of attendees)	
Host a "Meet With Your Elected Officials"* Event in Your Community	25+ ___ x 1 (number of attendees)	
Attend Local School Board Meetings	___ x 5 (number of times attended)	
Speak out at Local Meetings Where School Funding Decisions Are Made	___ x 5 (number of occasions)	
Testify Before House or Senate Body, Committee or Subcommittee	___ x 30 (number of occasions)	
Submit Resolution to the SCPTA on a Legislative Issue	___ x 30 (number of submissions)	
GRAND TOTAL		

* Elected officials here can be any that affect decisions regarding child health, education and welfare for your community (local, state, or national). These issues must be the focus of the event.

Supporting documentation (agendas, programs, letters, etc.) MUST accompany this form.

SOUTH CAROLINA PTA



**Envelope must be postmarked by March 1st to be eligible for judging.
Late entries and entries with more than the allowed attachments will not be judged.**