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ABOUT JOINING THE PTSA

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Only moms and teachers need to join the PTSA.

FACT

A strong PTSA needs the support of parents, guardians, extended family, teachers, school staff, and the community. Anyone who cares about children belongs in the PTSA! It is important that the PTSA represents the diversity of the Einstein Community, and we need everyone's help to do that.

Joining the PTSA means I have to volunteer.

Absolutely not! Every person has a different capacity to give and be involved. The PTSA appreciates everyone's contribution, whether it is time, financial or advisory. Some volunteer roles, such as field day require only one afternoon.

I must be a board member or chair a committee to join the PTSA.

Nope! Some of our most valued members have never held a leadership position.

PTSA membership never expires.

Each new school year begins a new PTSA membership year and you need to renew yearly.

I don't have time to join the PTSA.

"Joining the PTSA" is not about volunteering. It is about advocacy and supporting our students. Your decision to purchase a PTSA membership is significant all by itself.

I'll get roped into volunteering if I attend a PTSA meeting.

No pressure to volunteer. We appreciate the chance to talk, provide updates, get new ideas, and support.

The PTSA is only for stay-at-home parents with nothing else to do.

Your fellow PTSA members are family and community members who want to support the kids and the school. Every member is juggling family, jobs, household chores, kids, sports, and homework, just like you!

My child's life will be the same whether or not I join the PTSA.

Not only does membership put you in direct communication with other parents and teachers, it shows your child that you are invested in their educational experience. Research has proven that family involvement within the child's school increases academic achievements and decreases behavior issues.

The PTSA has all the help they need.

The PTSA always wants and always needs volunteers! If you choose to volunteer, you decide the time commitment.

I have an idea, but the PTSA isn't interested.

Nothing could be further from the truth! New ideas, and new friends are always welcome! It is important for the PTSA to represent all the voices and perspectives at Einstein, we need you to make that happen.

HOW DO I CONNECT WITH THE PTSA?

- You can sign up for Ottermail, a biweekly email newsletter with upcoming events and news about Einstein.
- You can attend the PTSA meetings, held 3 times each year.
- You can email us at president@einsteinctsa.org with any questions, ideas or concerns!