



January 26, 2017



**Healthy Families
Healthy Kids**
Feb 1, 2017
6:00 - 8:15 PM
Marcus 9th Campus

Local business and services join Marcus HS to support the social, emotional, and physical health of our families.



Workshops and Speakers
Choose sessions/topics about anxiety, teen brains, time management, eating disorders, relationship help, and more



PTSA Annual Check Drive

Parents last year's check drive was a huge success. Because of your generosity the PTSA was able to continue supporting programs, in which we hope benefit all students. We are once again asking for your help with a check drive of \$10 to MHS PTSA to help support programs at MHS and M9.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Important Dates

Jan 26-28 Musical "Beauty and the Beast"

Feb 1 PEP Healthy Families Healthy Kids

Feb 11 Bowling for Scholars

Feb 9th
Magnificent Marauders

Feb 13 6:45pm PTSA General Meeting
Auditorium
7:10pm Spring Open House

Please write a check today to MHS PTS A and have your student drop in the PTSA lock box at either campus or Mail to

Michelle Lloyd
3817 Fairfax Way
Flower Mound, TX 75028

Donations are needed by February 17, 2017.

SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP

Several PTSA Scholarships for \$500 each will be available for Marcus 2017 seniors. The recipients of a PTSA scholarship must be a 2017 graduate and a member of the Marcus PTSA, prior to January 31, 2017. Selection is based upon a variety of factors that emphasize merit, not simply academic or financial need. Merit is demonstrated through evidence of motivation, school and community involvement, and a desire to succeed.

Application Deadline: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 (tentative).

For more information, please contact [Debbie Virant](#).

Reminder: the student must be a member of the [Marcus PTSA](#) prior to January 31, 2017.

Notice of Vote to Amend the PTSA Bylaws

Vote of General Membership on February 13 at 6:30 PM at Marcus High School

The Marcus High School PTSA executive board is proposing the following bylaws changes for our organization for better a better organizational structure, more resiliency and to better align with the Marcus High School schedule.

Feb 22 7pm Incoming
10th Grade Parent
Meeting Auditorium

April 11 TEDX Event

Volunteer Opportunities

Marcus High School and Marcus 9 are looking for office volunteers. These volunteers would cover the front office while the staff takes turns going to lunch. Duties include greeting visitors and answering phones. Various times are available. Please contact KellyThien at thienksu@hotmail.com

Need a Parking Sticker?

All students wanting to park in the Marcus Student parking need to obtain a Marcus Parking Sticker. The [application](#) can be found on the Marcus HS website

Print a copy of this form before submitting. You will bring the signed copy with

Proposed changes include:

- Add President elect position and duties
- Add additional alternate to nominating committee
- Adjust the membership meetings to align with MHS schedule

Full details are available on the marcusptsa.org website.

RALLY DAY FEB 27

Concerned about STAAR? The new A-F school ratings? School funding? Vouchers? Join us for PTA Rally Day in February! We will talk to our legislators about important topics surrounding education legislation. We need at least one member from each PTA to join us as a voice for our children.

PTA RALLY DAY Feb 27, 2017 Your Day to Talk to Your Legislators

*Sick of the over-emphasis on STAAR?
Heard about the new A-F School Ratings?
Want more of your property tax dollars to go to
your schools?*

What you need to do:

1. Learn about the education issues in one of three ways:
 - o Meeting Jan 17, 2017, at 7 p.m. at Marcos Pizza in Lewisville. We will discuss PTA legislative priorities to prepare you to talk to your legislators, focusing on LISD Council's top 5 issues: STAAR, A-F School Ratings, School funding, and Oppose Private School Vouchers. Bring a friend!
 - o Visit my FB page for live events talking about Rally Day. www.facebook.com/kristi.s.hassett
 - o Texas PTA webinars - <http://www.txpta.org/advocacy/rallyday/>
2. Sign up so we can coordinate our group: <http://www.signnupgenius.com/go/409054aaaa62a1-ptarally>
3. Pay for your trip to Rally Day including a t-shirt and either a bus (hopefully we will have enough) or gas

**We need at least one volunteer
from every school to come to Rally Day.**

It is that important.

What LISD Council will do for you:

1. Organize the charter bus (if enough people are signed up by Jan 20th) and t-shirts
2. Provide you with information so you can discuss education issues with our legislators
3. Set up the legislator meetings. Meetings will be 4-5 PTA members who will be speaking directly to their particular legislator or aide.

Resources: LISD Council of PTAs: <http://lisdpta.org/>, TXPTA - <http://www.txpta.org/rally-day>, TXPTA Rally Day FB page - <https://www.facebook.com/events/299750887046032/>

If you have any questions, please contact me. Kristi Hassett, Advocacy Chair, 214-707-6391 cell, hassettfive@verizon.net

Why "DO" PTA Rally Day?

- This is our time to talk to our legislators about education issues. They want to know how laws affect your children, really they do.
- Your children need you to be a voice for them.

Feb 27th Schedule

Leave early (around 5:00 a.m.). 9:30 a.m. is a Legislative Caucus organized by TXPTA where legislators give an update on politics and education policies. 11:30 a.m. is the "Rally" on the South Capitol steps where PTA members from all over TX hear opening remarks (bring your posters). Lunch is at noon (bring a box lunch). Then we break into pre-organized groups of 3 to 5 members to talk to our individual legislators. LISD Council and TXPTA will provide talking points. Head home no later than 5 p.m.

**Our students need
us to be their voice.**

Driver's License, proof of insurance (with student name listed on insurance) and \$5 per sticker requested.

Mrs Grandberry (room A101) will handle request before and after school.

Student Id's

All Marcus students must have a student id on at all times. New ids can be purchased in the office for \$3.00. If you forget your id you will need to obtain a temporary id.

If you forget your id

1-2 times you will receive a warning.

3-5 times Lunch Detention.

6-8 times Wednesday night school.

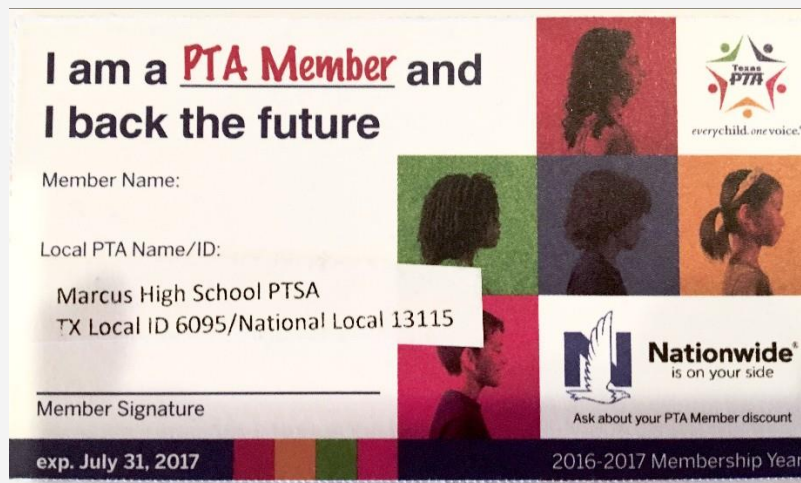
9 or more times In School Detention.

Keep our school safe and wear your school ID.

Important Links

[Lewisville ISD Council of PTA](#)

[Marcus High School](#)



Print this newsletter to obtain your Marcus PTSA Membership Card.

BE RED!

Thank You For Your Support!



Marcus 9 High School

National PTA

Texas PTA

Marcus PTSA can honor our volunteers with some very special awards. The Texas PTA Honorary Life Membership award. This is given by a PTA to someone that goes above and beyond for their school and community. *This doesn't necessarily have to be someone who is a "PTA member". Some of the people you might consider are teachers, staff, board members, volunteers/parents/grandparents in the school, crossing guards, etc. These are usually people who are very active in advocating for the kids. *This is the most common award given by a school. A person can receive multiple Honorary Texas PTA Life Member awards, but it can not be given from the same school twice.

The Texas PTA Extended Service Award-given to someone who has previously received the Honorary Life Membership award (does not have to have been from your school) and continues to be actively involved. The one

criteria is that they have been involved in PTA for 10 years+.

The National PTA Life Achievement Award. This is the highest honor from the National PTA.

If you know of a special volunteer that deserves one of these awards please submit their name to Gina Gardenhire for review by the Lifetime Membership Award Committee. Visit marcusptsa.org for more information.



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Joining the PTSA

It is easy to join the PTSA online. The form is on the PTSA website www.marcusptsa.org. Fill out the membership form and pay online, or choose to pay offline and write a check and bring it to school. Place all checks in the PTSA mailbox at both Marcus and Marcus 9.



If you know your student is going to have a doctor's appointment, save time by sending a note with your student to school. Your student will talk the note to their attendance clerk. The attendance will complete the necessary paper work. You will save time and never be late to your appointment.

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