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**PRESS ADVISORY**

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## PTA Convention heading to Sacramento

*111th annual event will bring thousands to convention center*

**WHAT:** The California State PTA's 111th annual convention

**WHEN:** April 29 - May 2

**WHERE:** The Sacramento Convention Center

**WHY IT MATTERS:** This is the 111th annual convention of the state's largest and oldest children's advocacy association, with nearly 1 million members. Several thousand PTA members are expected at the convention, where delegates vote on policy resolutions that guide the work of the association.

**HIGHLIGHTS:**

- A rally on the Capitol at 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 29. The public is invited to join us in this rally to let our elected leaders know that we must invest in the more than 9 million children and youth in our state rather than repeatedly cutting funding for education and other critical services. The rally is part of the PTA's ongoing **9 Million Reasons To Speak Up** campaign.
- A Candidates Forum of those running for Superintendent of Public Instruction, co-sponsored by the League of Women Voters of California, at 11:30 a.m.; Friday, April 30.
- Inspiring speakers, including: Kelly Kovacic, a California Teacher of the Year.
- More than 75 workshops to help PTA members and leaders develop their skills.
- Performances and displays by student artists honored by the PTA's Reflections program.

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*The California State PTA has nearly 1 million members throughout the state working on behalf of public schools, children and families, with the motto, "Every child, one voice." The PTA is the nation's oldest, largest and highest profile volunteer association working to improve the education, health and welfare of all children and youth. The PTA also advocates at national, state and local levels for education and family issues. The PTA is nonprofit, nonsectarian and noncommercial.*

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