

**Membership Year Explained** - revised March 2011

	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct
1) California State PTA membership year																
2) Additional grace period for members to re-join																
3) Charter members joining new PTAs during these months do not need to renew in following year.																

- 1) The California State PTA membership year begins on July 1 and ends on June 30.**  
 The first required per capita remittance is based on this membership year. All recognitions and awards are based on per capita received in the state office by their respective deadlines during this membership year. (Note: some National PTA material indicates that their accounting year is April 1 through March 31 but California State PTA no longer observes those dates.)
- 2) Individual members have a 4-month grace period to re-join their PTA.**  
 This allows members to vote on budgets, programs, etc. in the beginning of the school year (which is why all membership cards in California are to have an expiration date of October 31).
- 3) An individual joining during one membership year (between July 1 and June 30) needs to re-join in the new year.**  
 Although *charter members* of a new unit organized between April 1 and June 30 (*Toolkit* 3.2.5) are not required to rejoin the PTA for one year, the PTA is expected to run a membership campaign and forward *additional memberships* once the new membership year begins.  
  
 Those charter memberships (from the organization meeting) are not used to qualify the unit for any awards or recognitions, but they can be considered the minimal remittance needed to keep a unit in good standing.