

Amend by substitution, the Resolution entitled “Family Choice”. (Formerly entitled Parental Choice)

Rationale: The Parental Choice Resolution was reviewed and required updating in both the *Whereas* (research information) *Clauses*, including the title, and the *Resolved* (action) *Clauses*, so that the association could move forward with the action required in the *Resolved* *Clauses*. Amending the Resolution by substitution allows all amendments to be included in one document and with one motion.

FAMILY CHOICE

Whereas, Pennsylvania PTA strongly advocates for all children, seeking to improve all schools; and

Whereas, Pennsylvania PTA has established positions which offer strong support for public schools; and

Whereas, Pennsylvania PTA believes that options and alternatives within public schools should ensure that:

- a public school system is sustained in every community
- families are provided the opportunity to be involved in their child’s education
- a fair and equitable selection process is provided to all students
- all students have access to equal educational opportunities

Whereas, Pennsylvania PTA advocates that while families have the right to choose private non-public education for their children, public funds should not be used to subsidize that education; therefore be it

Resolved, That Pennsylvania PTA assume a leadership role in raising questions and exploring ideas that will assist legislators, policy makers, and school districts to make sound judgments on issues of school choice; and be it further

Resolved, That Pennsylvania PTA oppose any choice plan which would use public funds for non-public school vouchers; and be it further

Resolved, That Pennsylvania PTA continues to provide information and guidelines to its local and council units concerning school choice, which will enable members to make informed decisions on the issue of choice.