

COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

- WHEREAS, The National PTA in its third object strives “to bring into closer relation the home, school and community...”, and
- WHEREAS, Pennsylvania PTA recognizes that good educational programs involving active participation and cooperation of the entire community can bring about that closer relationship; and
- WHEREAS, Considerable public funds are expended for school facilities, and these facilities can be utilized during out-of-school hours to strengthen the National PTA’s first object, that of promoting “the welfare of children and youth...” through educational, cultural and athletic programs; therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Pennsylvania PTA through its constituent bodies urge local boards of education to develop policies that will encourage the use of school facilities for the benefit of the entire community; and , be it further
- RESOLVED, That the Pennsylvania PTA urge its constituent bodies to promote the use of school facilities free-of-charge by those groups that directly contribute to improving the community’s educational, cultural and recreational programs.

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Rationale: NPTA has a Resolution which covers all action required in the Resolved Clauses and includes up to date information. Pennsylvania PTA will continue to advocate for and promote the use of school facilities, free of charge, to not for profit education-related associations that improve communities. NPTA Resolutions are written to be national in scope for use in advocating efforts in every state.