



Welcome to the 2022 – 2023 School Year!



Dear Vista Verde Families,

On behalf of the Vista Verde Parent Teacher Association (PTA), welcome to the 2022-2023 school year! We're excited to see our returning and newest families. My name is Lilli LaBuen Gillen and I have the privilege of serving as your Vista Verde PTA President for the 2022-2023 school year. In partnership with the Vista Verde Executive Board, our school principal, Mr. Vlastic, the faculty, and staff, I am here to represent and communicate the needs, concerns, and questions of our Vista Verde community.

It's hard to believe that it has been over two years since schools shut down because of the global pandemic. Our school administration and faculty continue to work tirelessly to keep the education and well-being of our children a priority while maintaining a rigorous routine of keeping our school community healthy and safe.

The PTA mission is to positively impact the lives of all children and their families. Providing a welcoming and supportive community can help students overcome challenges and develop skills that can help them succeed in and out of the classroom. Academic outcomes, social and emotional competencies as well as critical thinking skills are all enhanced when students feel safe and enjoy a sense of belonging and connectedness. This is the very reason why the Vista Verde PTA matters, why we welcome your membership, and your donation to our annual fund. Here are ways to participate.

Annual Fund: Suggested Donation of \$240 (most impactful): Each year during the PTA's Annual Fund Drive, we ask all families for a suggested donation of **\$240 per student**, which includes one PTA membership. (Additional memberships are \$10 each). The PTA Annual Fund donation is in lieu of our students having to raise money through magazine, candy, or other sales. You will see that these funds support a variety of educational enrichment offerings for our students. Please know that any donation is greatly appreciated!

Membership (\$10): There are numerous parent groups out there, but there is only one PTA. Connecting families and schools for 120 years, the PTA is the largest children's advocacy organization in the country. See attached flier for reasons to join PTA and scan the QR code in the attached flier to join. Visit <https://vistaverdepta.org/annualfund/> for more information.

Volunteer

It takes a village to make things happen. Whether it's one hour a week or one hour a year, anytime you can give a helping hand is greatly appreciated! Please fill out the [Volunteer Signup form](#) online at www.vistaverdepta.org.

Stay informed

To stay updated throughout the year, please visit the Vista Verde PTA website at www.vistaverdepta.org, subscribe to our eNews on the website for weekly updates on events and programs and follow us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#)!

We are experiencing a watershed moment because many of our children will finally be able to experience a regular year-round school schedule again. I urge you to please become a member of the Vista Verde PTA and donate to the annual fund. Let's show our children that we can be better together! For any questions, suggestions, or concerns, email me at president@vistaverdepta.org.

Have a wonderful school year!

Lilli LaBuen Gillen
2022-2023 President
Vista Verde PTA

Joining the PTA is easy!



SCAN ME

Simply scan the code above or
go to www.VistaVerdePTA.org

**Membership is just \$10
but please consider also
donating to the Annual Fund
at \$240 per student**

If you need an alternative payment method, please send an email to president@vistaverdepta.org

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Vista Verde PTA

supports & funds the following programs



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Teacher Support

- Raz Kids software
- Adventure to Learning software
- Software for Reading Counts
- Adventures in Fitness
- Education Software Renewals
- Teacher Enrichment Funds
- Teacher Appreciation Week



Events & Programs

- Annual Book Fair
- Cultural Assemblies
- 8th Grade Promotion
- Reflections Art Contest
- Red Ribbon Week
- Read Across America



Class Enrichment

- Spelling Bee
- Math Clubs
- Chess Tournament
- Science Olympiad
- Astronomy Night
- Earth Science Day
- National History Day



Community Engagement

- Weekly eNewsletter
- VistaVerdePTA.org
- Facebook / Instagram
- Family Fun Night
- Ice Cream Social
- VV Got Talent
- Coffee Connections
- Parent Night Out



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Why Join the PTA?

Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

Joining PTA supports local, state, and national efforts to improve the education of children and the lives of families. Membership provides the opportunity for individuals to raise their voices with others throughout the state and nation to protect children's rights. Membership ensures that PTA's voice is heard on issues affecting young people as well as providing opportunities for parent education, communication and leadership development. Please become a PTA member, joining nearly 6 million other people who share your interest in issues affecting children. Everyone – parents, educators, students and other citizens active in their schools and communities– are invited to join our non-profit organization. By becoming a PTA member, you'll be demonstrating to your child the importance you place on education.

PTA支持当地、州和全国，努力改善儿童教育和家庭生活。组织为个人提供机会，与全州和全国的其它人一起为保护儿童权力发言。组织保证PTA对于影响年轻人事件的发言能被关注，并且为父母教育、沟通和领导力开发提供机会。欢迎成为PTA的一员，加入到近6百万人中来，他们会分享你影响儿童的趣事。每一个人——活跃于学校和社区的父母、教育工作者、学生和其它公民——均被邀请加入我们的非盈利组织。成为一名PTA成员，你将向你的孩子展示你对教育的重视。

参加PTAは、子どもたちの教育と家族の生活を改善するため、地域、州、および国の努力をサポートしています。会員は、個人が子どもの権利を守るために州および全国の他の人と自分の声を上げるための機会を提供します。会員は、PTAの声が若い人たちに影響を与えるだけでなく、親の教育、コミュニケーションとリーダーシップ開発の機会を提供する問題について聞かれることが保証されます。子供たちに影響を与える問題にご関心を共有するほぼ600万他の人に参加し、PTAのメンバーになるください。みんな - 親、教育者、学生、彼らの学校や地域社会に積極的に他の市民は、当社の非営利組織に参加するよう招待。PTAのメンバーになることによって、あなたの子供にあなたが教育に置く重要性を実証することがあります。

Unirse a la PTA (Asociación de Padres y Maestros) apoya esfuerzos locales, estatales y nacionales para mejorar la educación de los niños y las vidas de las familias. La membresía ofrece la oportunidad para que las personas levanten sus voces con los demás del estado y de la nación para proteger los derechos del niño. Al asociarse se asegura que la voz de la PTA se escuche con respeto a problemas que afectan a jóvenes y al mismo tiempo ayuda con la educación y comunicación de padres y el desarrollo de liderazgo. Por favor, hágase miembro de la PTA, uniéndose a casi 6 millones de otras personas que comparten su interés en los temas que afectan a los niños. Todos - los padres, educadores, estudiantes y otros ciudadanos activos en sus escuelas y comunidades- son invitados a unirse a nuestra organización sin fines de lucro. Al convertirse en un miembro de la PTA, usted estará demostrando a su hijo la importancia que le da a la educación.

PTA 에 가입하는 것은 자녀 교육과 가족의 삶을 개선하고 지역, 주, 국가의 노력을 지원합니다. 회원은 각 개인이 아동의 권리를 보호하기 위해 주와 국가에 걸쳐 다른 사람과 자신의 목소리를 올릴 수 있는 기회를 제공 받습니다. PTA 회원의 목소리는 젊은 사람에게 영향을 미치는뿐만 아니라, 부모 교육, 커뮤니케이션 및 리더십 개발의 기회를 제공합니다. 어린이에게 영향을 미치는 문제에 대한 관심을 공유하는, 약 600 만 다른 사람에 합류하는 PTA 회원이 되주시기 바랍니다. 부모, 교육자, 학생 및 학교와 지역 사회에 적극적으로 활동하는 시민 모두 우리의 비영리 조직에 초대합니다. PTA 회원이 됨으로써, 당신의 아이에게 당신의 자리가 교육에 얼마나 중요한지 보여줄 수 있습니다.

California PTA Mission and Goals

The mission of the **California State PTA** is to positively impact the lives of all children and families by representing our members, and empowering and supporting them with skills in advocacy, leadership and communications.

The California State PTA is a professional, non-profit volunteer organization committed to the well-being of all children.

We believe every adult has a responsibility to ensure that all children develop to their full potential.

We believe parents are children's first teachers and that parent involvement is essential throughout a child's educational experience.

We believe that family is the basic unit of society responsible for the support and nurturing of all children, and we recognize that "the family" may be defined in many ways.

We believe our responsibility includes advocating for the safety and welfare of all children and the opportunity for a quality public education for each child.



National PTA



CA State PTA



Fourth District PTA



Irvine Council PTA