



Advocacy Update

Arlington Council of PTAs
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- At the conclusion of each Texas Legislative session, TXPTA recognizes the Texas PTA Legislative Honor Roll. These are individuals who demonstrate initiative to enhance the quality of life for children and youth, improve the quality of education for all children and youth, strengthen families, improve child safety standards, show support for children, youth, families and PTA-related positions and lend support to a current Texas PTA legislative priority.
- Congratulations to the Texas PTA 2017 Legislative Honor Roll Recipients:

Texas PTA 2017 Legislative Honor Roll Recipients



The Honorable Carol Alvarado
Texas House of Representatives
District 145

The Honorable Trent Ashby
Texas House of Representatives
District 57

The Honorable Helen Giddings
Texas House of Representatives
District 109

The Honorable Donna Howard
Texas House of Representatives
District 48

The Honorable José Menéndez
Texas Senate
District 26

The Honorable Ina Minjarez
Texas House of Representatives
District 124

The Honorable Kel Seliger
Texas Senate
District 31

The Honorable Joe Straus
Speaker of the House
Texas House of Representatives
District 121

The Honorable Gary VanDeaver
Texas House of Representatives
District 1

The Honorable Royce West
Texas Senate
District 23

The Honorable John Zerwas
Texas House of Representatives
District 28



- **Did you know?...** There is a National “Outstanding Local/District/Regional PTA Advocacy Award” presented annually to a local, district, council or regional PTA that, through their dedication, leadership and efforts positively affected legislative and/or regulatory policy compatible with PTA’s mission and goals. These efforts must include an education/learning component for PTA members and the community-at-large. Working with multiple organizations or coalitions through grassroots collaboration is preferred. Visit <http://bit.ly/ACOPTAoct> for more information.
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