

# MCCPTA Delegate Tips

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# Get to know the Big Picture!

- PTAs are tied up in the day-to-day running of the PTA
- Your role: pay attention to the big picture
  - What issues are affecting our school?
  - What's going on in our cluster?
  - What's going on in the county?
- Be aware of Board of Education & County Council actions

# Get to know your PTA!

- Attend PTA board meetings & membership meetings
- Tell the membership who you are & what you do
- Give updates at board & membership meetings
- Talk to PTA president, committee heads, and the school principal/PTA staff rep to understand school position on issues at the MCCPTA level

## Get to know your cluster & MCCPTA leadership!

- Find out who your cluster coordinator is and email them
- Attend cluster meetings
- Know who your Area Vice President (AVP) is
- Know who the members of the executive committee of the MCCPTA are, and what they do.
- All these people are here to help your PTA!

# **Get to know your Board of Education members, councilmembers, & state legislators!**

- Introduce yourself to them via email or meeting. Tell them about a pressing issue that they can do something about.
- Invite them to your school! They want to see what's going on in our schools! But inform the principal.

## **Attend the Delegates' Assembly (DA)!**

- Look at the agenda before you go
- Know your PTAs stand on issues before you go
- Meet the other delegates in your cluster & your cluster coordinator
- You will vote on issues representing your PTA. Use your best judgement and don't let personal opinions guide you!



## Where can I find more information?

- MCCPTA website: <http://www.mccpta.org/>
- Board of Education website:  
<https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/board/>
- County Council website:  
<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council/>
- State legislators:  
<https://msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/07leg/html/gacomo.html>



**Good luck!**