

# MCCPTA Administrative Committees

## Ad Hoc Committees

**Student Business Challenge** - Facilitates MCCPTA's partnership with Junior Achievement, MCPS and Montgomery County Department of Recreation (RecXtra) to bring this innovative after-school program and business idea pitch competition to middle school students countywide, giving them the opportunity to engage in design thinking and experience the initial steps of a business startup.

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**Awards** - Manages the process of soliciting applications, selecting recipients and ordering MCCPTA end of the year awards, including PTA President of the Year, Principal of the year, Partners for Education, Advocacy Award, Dad4PTA, Maryland and National PTA Lifetime Achievement awards, and the Champion for Children, awarded by the Montgomery County Business Roundtable for Education.

**Daria Daniel**

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**Vice Chair: Oriole Saah**

**Bylaws** - Reviews, interprets and updates MCCPTA bylaws as needed. Assists local PTAs with bylaws revisions, updates and interpretation.

**Kellie Schoolar-Reynolds**

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**Celebration of Excellence** - Plans and executes MCCPTA's year-end celebration, including student performances, awards and other activities to highlight the achievements of our PTAs. Attended by members, PTA leaders, school administrators and MCPS/elected officials.

**OPEN**

**Cultural Arts** - Promotes cultural arts performances, assemblies and another exposure to visual and performing arts within PTAs and school communities. Promotes the annual MCPS Cultural Arts Showcases in October. Surveys PTAs in the spring about cultural arts activities and budgets. Plans and executes spring Performing Arts Festival featuring MCPS student groups across the county.

**Priscilla Peterson**

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**Finance Committee** - Creates and oversees MCCPTA budget.

**OPEN**

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**Nominating Committee** - Solicits and reviews potential candidates for executive committee positions with the intent of selecting a slate of candidates to put forward to the organization. Supports AVPs and clusters with nomination and election process, reviewing nominations for AVPs and cluster coordinators to ensure compliance with MCCPTA bylaws requirements. Members are elected by the MCCPTA Delegates Assembly at the November meeting; the chair is elected by the committee members.

**Cynthia Simonson**

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**Reflections** - Promotes and increases awareness of the annual National PTA Reflections art program that encourages students to express themselves through creative projects. Utilizes MCCPTA website and Reflections eList to make local PTAs aware of the program and to provide comprehensive information to the local chairpersons. Runs the county-level competition and awards ceremony.

**Andrea Creel**

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**Training** - Responsible for training PTA leaders and members on how to run their PTAs, advocate and engage families - the heart of PTA's mission. Organizes fall and spring half and full day training events with multiple workshops required training for MCCPTA board members (highly recommended for local boards). Provides additional cluster and individual PTA training during the year as needed. Maintains a "training web page" of materials to assist PTA leaders and members.

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**Vice Chair: Yeages Cowan**

**Sally McCarthy**