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PTA Leaders,

Free State PTA has been sending reminders about what it means to be in "good standing." On August 31, FSPTA distributed a list of the [standards of affiliation \(SOA\) items for PTAs in the State of Maryland](#). While the treasurer is generally tasked with completing the formal state and federal filings, the task of compliance maintenance is the responsibility of the Board of Directors (officers + committee chairs).

**Check compliance on State and Federal filings:** The process is easy; you need the EIN to access the IRS search. You will need the EIN or the current business name to get the status on Maryland filings. Please bookmark the links below (and share with your board):

[IRS Tax Exempt Organization Search](#): This will tell you when your PTA's last 990 was submitted and the current status.

[State Department of Taxation Entity Search](#): This will give you the latest status on your PTA's articles of incorporation and personal property.

[Maryland Charity Search](#): This will give you the latest filing of the Maryland Charitable Renewal for your PTA.

Not sure where to find your EIN? Log into Givebacks. On the left hand side of your screen, go to "My Organization" and then "Unit Data."

**Complete training requirements:** [Reference FSPTA website for upcoming trainings](#). Compliance trainings include (1) Boardsmanship and (2) Navigating State and Federal Requirements. FSPTA Navigating state and federal requirements training will be offered Oct 28, 29 and 30. Reference the [FSPTA website](#) for times and to register.

**Check/upload compliance documents for SOA items:** Reference your PTAs givebacks site. Need help? Reference the [Givebacks help center](#).

If you have any questions, please reach out to [HCCPTA](#).

Thank you for what you continue to do for the children of Harford County!

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