



PENNSYLVANIA HEAD START ASSOCIATION

PARENTS, STAFF, ADMINISTRATORS AND FRIENDS AFFILIATED FOR CHILDREN

Paula Margraf - Board President

Blair Hyatt - Executive Director

Dear Administrator:

Since 1996 the Pennsylvania Head Start Association (PHSA) has worked to meet your information, training, leadership and advocacy needs. Your membership provides essential resources that make these activities possible! The PHSA Board appreciates your financial support and commitment. We believe our collective efforts have, and will continue to, provide significant benefits for Head Start / Early Head Start programs in Pennsylvania. A list of 2017 PHSA Membership Benefits is attached. As promised, the PHSA board is not raising dues in 2017.

2017 Dues – Total Funding Based:

<\$1,000,000		\$700
>\$1,000,000	<\$3,000,000	\$1300
>\$3,000,000	<\$6,000,000	\$1,800
>\$6,000,000	<\$12,000,000	\$2,800
>\$12,000,000	<\$18,000,000	\$3,800
>\$18,000,000		\$7,000

Dues are based on a Program's Head Start, Early Head Start and HSSAP funding as of Jan 1, 2016.

While 2016 was a challenging year for Head Start programs with new funding for duration and EHS/CC partnerships, and the implementation of new standards there were some successes. PHSA/you/the Pre K Campaign won \$5 million in new HSSAP funding and \$25 million in new Pre K Counts funding. The 2016 Early Childhood Summit was the largest ever. PHSA enjoyed a very strong relationship with OCDEL. PHSA's oral health work continued to grow and in addition PHSA received a large grant to promote Farm to ECE. Over time this grant will help our children and families improve their diets and health. The PHSA ED was asked to serve again as chair to a revitalized NHSA monitoring task force.

To make the most of the opportunities in 2017 PHSA needs your ongoing membership support!

In 2017 the PHSA board will be doing an in depth updating of the Board's strategic plan. PHSA will be expanding its professional develop opportunities for our members, launching a new PHSA web site and also a Farm to ECE web site. We are also excited about bringing you the Early Childhood Summit. This will be the 10th anniversary of the PHSA created event.

Enclosed is your PHSA membership invoice for your annual dues. Your attached invoice details the total amount of funding your program receives and the appropriate membership fee. If this information is inaccurate, please adapt your invoice, listing the correct funding amounts and the appropriate membership dues.

We believe you will agree the PHSA office is essential to Head Start's future and hope that you will continue to support the PHSA by renewing today! Please send your checks made payable to "PHSA" to 415 Market Street, Suite 206A, Harrisburg, PA 17101 by March 15, 2017. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me, or Blair Hyatt at 717-645-0155. Thank you very much, and we look forward to continuing to serve you and the Head Start Community.

Sincerely,
Kelly Showers
Kelly Showers - Treasurer