



# PENNSYLVANIA HEAD START ASSOCIATION

PARENTS, STAFF, ADMINISTRATORS AND FRIENDS AFFILIATED FOR CHILDREN

Blair Hyatt - Executive Director

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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 commitment and we thank you for understanding the need to increase our annual dues. 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 2019 PHSA Membership Benefits is attached.

2019 Dues – Total Funding Based:

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| <\$1,000,000                | \$850   |
| >\$1,000,000 <\$3,000,000   | \$1,575 |
| >\$3,000,000 <\$6,000,000   | \$2,175 |
| >\$6,000,000 <\$12,000,000  | \$3,375 |
| >\$12,000,000 <\$18,000,000 | \$4,575 |
| >\$18,000,000               | \$8,400 |

Dues are based on a Program’s Head Start, Early Head Start and HSSAP total funding as of Jan 1, 2019.

While 2018 was a very challenging year here at PHSA, working with NHSA and our Pennsylvania Early Learning advocates we did have several successes. With NHSA we won a small COLA, along with more EHS-CC partnerships funding. PHSA/you/the Pre K Campaign won \$5 million in new HSSAP funding and \$20 million in new Pre K Counts funding. We also won an additional \$5million for home visiting programs. Also after years of collective efforts Head Start was recognized as being a high quality program and rated staff for in the new Keystone STARs system. The 2018 Early Childhood Summit was a success with outstanding keynote speakers. PHSA partnered with Aetna Better Health to launch a Latino healthing eating initiative based on cooking events and a newly created cook book “My Families Plate.”

In 2018 PHSA has gone through significant staffing changes in three of our positions. In January PHSA hired Kayle Richardson in a newly created position of Director of Professional Development. In April Sara Gray-Bradley started as our Associate Director. In June Molly Martz left as our office manager and we brought on Carrie Spina to replace her. In September Sara Gray-Bradley left PHSA to work for Pennsylvania Partnerships of Children. In November Kare McFalls became PHSA’s new Associate Director. While we miss Molly and Sara, we are excited about being fully staffed and our new team is enjoying working together.

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 February 28, 2019. 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