

**PTA Council of Baltimore County  
Awards  
2007-2008**

**“A Night of Shining Stars”**

Dear Presidents/Awards Chairpersons:

The PTA Council of Baltimore County will hold its annual awards celebration at its general meeting and elections (2008-2010 term) on **Thursday, April 24, 2008 at 7:30 pm at Loch Raven High School.**

This packet contains nomination forms for the following awards:

- **Unit of Excellence Award** – to honor each PTA/PTSA that performs six simple tasks that demonstrate that it is operating in good standing.
- **Recognition Awards** – to permit each PTA/PTSA the opportunity to have one of its members, parents, teachers, staff members or volunteers receive countywide recognition for doing a great job.
- **“Top Twelve” Awards** – to give each PTA/PTSA the opportunity to showcase as many as twelve of its best programs.
- **Outstanding Educator of the Year** – to give each PTA/PTSA the opportunity to obtain countywide recognition for a member of its school’s staff. There will be one primary and one secondary educator of the year award presented for the entire county. However, every educator who is nominated will be formally recognized during the ceremony. (Note: This award is based on performance during the 2007-2008 school year. It is NOT a lifetime achievement award.)

We encourage everyone involved to carefully read the criteria for each award as some information and awards have changed this year. Please pay particular attention to the requirements for the Unit of Excellence Award! **The Awards Chairperson must RECEIVE ALL nominations for all awards by March 13, 2008 at 8:00 p.m.**

**Nominations can be mailed or hand delivered to:**

Susan Katz / Awards Chairperson  
9 Hunters Horn Court  
Owings Mills, MD 21117

Contact information: 410.356.7920 or email [awards@bcptacouncil.org](mailto:awards@bcptacouncil.org)

**Remember to keep a copy of each nomination form submitted for your PTA records.**

# PTA Council of Baltimore County Recognition Awards

**Each local PTA/PTSA is invited to submit the nomination of ONE (1) individual.**

Candidates may include anyone from any field – parents, teachers, administrators, school staff members, nurses, therapists, instructional assistants, librarians, custodians, community volunteers, etc. All nominations **MUST BE RECEIVED** by the Awards Chairperson by **March 13, 2008 at 8:00 p.m.** (Note: This deadline is the date of the March PTA Council general meeting.)

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There are three levels of Recognition Awards: Certificate of Appreciation, Special Recognition Award, and Distinguished Service Award. Each local PTA may nominate **ONE** person for a Recognition Award.

**PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUR NOMINEE'S NAME IS SPELLED CORRECTLY.**

In almost all cases, anyone nominated for recognition by a local PTA will be recognized. The Awards Committee will decide which level of recognition is warranted.

***Certificate of Appreciation*** – is awarded to those who have done an outstanding job for their local PTA.

***Special Recognition Award*** – is awarded to those individuals whose work has had a positive effect beyond the local PTA. Examples might be membership chairmen whose efforts resulted in an increase in local membership, which also means an increase in countywide, state and national membership; a legislative committee worker whose efforts resulted in positive legislation that will affect children across the county, state, or nation; or a community volunteer whose landscaping talents have not only helped the school's gardening club, but also resulted in a beautification improvement for the entire community.

***Distinguished Service Award*** – is typically awarded to those who have been laboring in a variety of PTA activities for a long time and have accomplished many wonderful things, or those who managed to do something truly above and beyond the call of duty in a very short period of time.

Certainly every PTA/PTSA has one person who deserves to be recognized. Think about who that person might be, fill out the nomination form, and send it in before the **March 13, 2008 deadline!**

**PTA Council of Baltimore County**  
**Recognition Awards**  
**Nomination Form**

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There are three levels of recognition awarded by the PTA Council. In descending order, they are **DISTINGUISHED SERVICE, SPECIAL RECOGNITION, AND APPRECIATION**. The higher levels of awards are presented to those nominees whose actions have had an impact beyond their local PTA and/or school. All decisions of acceptability and levels of recognition are made by the PTA Council Awards Committee and are final.

**EACH PTA MAY NOMINATE ONE CANDIDATE.**

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_ PTA \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please spell name correctly)

Nominated By \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following question. You may type, print, or write legibly the answer to the question below and/or attach as many sheets as desired.

What extraordinary contribution to the PTA Mission, Purposes and Goals has this individual made that makes him/her an outstanding candidate for the PTA Council Recognition Award? Please be specific!!!

**PTA Council of Baltimore County  
Unit of Excellence Award  
Nomination Form**

The PTA Council of Baltimore County awards a **UNIT OF EXCELLENCE AWARD** to the local PTAs/PTSAs successfully meeting **ALL** of the criteria listed below. The Awards Chairperson **MUST RECEIVE** all nominations by **March 13, 2008 at 8:00 p.m.** (Note: This deadline is the date of the March PTA Council general meeting.)

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**PLEASE CHECK OR COMPLETE AS APPROPRIATE**

- 1\_\_\_\_ Our PTA's BYLAWS have been reviewed and/or amended and submitted to Maryland PTA for approval within the last three years.
- 2\_\_\_\_ At least two (2) voting delegates from our PTA attended the PTA Council Fall Reception and Workshops in October.  
(NOTE: *If a local PTA has a member on the PTA Council Board, that member is a voting delegate for the Council, not the local PTA.*)
- 3\_\_\_\_ Our PTA's Council dues and insurance premium and Maryland PTA and National PTA dues for 2007-2008 were paid on time.
- 4\_\_\_\_ At least one (1) voting delegate from our PTA attended the Maryland PTA Fall Convention in November.  
Delegate's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Delegate's Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Date(s) Attended \_\_\_\_\_
- 5\_\_\_\_ At least one (1) voting delegate from our PTA attended the PTA Council general meetings in January and March.
- 6\_\_\_\_ Copies of our PTA newsletter or school/PTA newsletter have been sent to the PTA Council bulletin editor or PTA Council president or via inter-office mail to Cockeysville Middle School.

President's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

PTA \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Person Completing Form \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

# PTA Council of Baltimore County “TOP 12” Awards

The PTA Council will honor twelve outstanding programs that were conducted by PTAs/PTSAs in Baltimore County during 2007-2008. Each PTA/PTSA is invited to submit a nomination for any one OR all twelve of the program categories. **IF YOU ARE SUBMITTING NOMINATIONS IN MORE THAN ONE CATEGORY, YOU MUST COPY THE NOMINATION FORM AND USE A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH NOMINATION.** The Awards Chairperson **MUST RECEIVE** all nominations by **March 13, 2008 at 8:00 p.m.** (Note: This deadline is the date of the March PTA Council general meeting.)

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## **Qualifying rules for the 12 best programs are:**

- A PTA-sponsored program. The PTA must be a unit in good standing – PTA Council dues, insurance premium, and MD PTA and National PTA dues paid for 2007-2008; bylaws current.
- Local PTAs may apply for as many categories as desired.
- All forms must be received by March 13, 2008 at 8:00 p.m.
- All forms must be typed, printed, or legibly written. Use as many sheets as necessary to describe your program.
- Each nomination must be submitted in a stand-alone manner. Do not combine multiple nominations in any kind of folder or booklet.
- Remember that the judges will have no affiliation with your PTA; therefore, they will not be familiar with your program. Please describe the program in detail and include newsletters, pictures, correspondence, and any other pertinent information.

**BEST READING PROGRAM**  
**BEST VOLUNTEER PROGRAM**  
**BEST SAFETY AWARENESS PROGRAM**  
**BEST MEMBERSHIP THEME**  
**BEST LEGISLATIVE ACTION PROGRAM**  
**BEST FAMILY INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM**  
**BEST SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM**  
**BEST PTA (PTSA) NEWSLETTER (include at least one sample)**  
**BEST MULTI-CULTURAL PROGRAM**  
**BEST STUDENT RECOGNITION PROGRAM**  
**BEST PTA (PTSA) WEBSITE (include website address)**  
**BEST MALE INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM**

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**“TOP 12” Awards**  
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School Name \_\_\_\_\_

PTA President's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name and phone number of person completing the nomination if not the president

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME OF CATEGORY:** \_\_\_\_\_

SELECT ONE OF THE TWELVE LISTED

If you are entering more than one category, copy this form as many times as needed and use a separate form for each category entered.

**NAME OF PTA PROGRAM:** \_\_\_\_\_

- 1) Explain your PTA-sponsored program in detail.
  
- 2) How did this program further the PTA mission/purposes?

**PTA Council of Baltimore County**  
**Outstanding Educator of the Year**  
**Nomination Form**

The PTA Council will honor one primary educator and one secondary educator who have made an outstanding contribution to the field of education in Baltimore County. Each PTA/PTSA is invited to submit the nomination of ONE (1) individual. Candidates may be teachers, administrators, instructional assistants, school nurses, therapists, librarians, etc. – anyone who has worked in an instructional capacity in Baltimore County Public Schools during the 2007-2008 school year. The candidate MUST possess a valid 2007-2008 PTA membership card from any PTA in Baltimore County. The Awards Chairperson MUST RECEIVE all nominations by **March 13, 2008 at 8:00 p.m.** (Note: This deadline is the date of the March PTA Council general meeting.)

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**THIS AWARD IS BASED ON THE EDUCATOR'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS DURING THE CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR. THIS IS NOT A LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD.**

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

(Please spell name correctly)

Grade/Special Area/Position \_\_\_\_\_

School Where the Nominee Works \_\_\_\_\_

List all PTAs in which the nominee holds a 2007-2008 PTA membership card (only one is required):

\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Individual Completing Nomination \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsoring PTA \_\_\_\_\_

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**Reference**

Please provide the name and evening phone number of another teacher or staff member who works at the same school and knows your nominee well enough to verify your information. (The committee may or may not contact your reference.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Please type, print, or write legibly the answer to the following question.**

(You may use this page and/or any additional sheets as necessary.)

**What did this educator do during the 2007-2008 school year that warrants his or her recognition with this award?**

**Baltimore County Council**

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**2007-2008  
AWARDS PACKET**

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**Showcase your  
PTA/PTSA Shining Stars  
at the Awards Celebration on  
April 24, 2008!!**