

Hawaii State
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2018 SLATE OF NOMINEES

Vice President of Programs – Katie Vercelli

Katie Vercelli is currently employed as an occupational therapist at Wilcox Hospital on Kauai. Katie has been part of the PTSA for over 8 years, having served on PTSA boards at the elementary, middle and high school levels. Additionally, Katie held the position of Kauai Region Director to the Hawaii State PTSA for four years, and in 2017 was appointed into the role of Vice President of Programs. Katie enjoys volunteering and hopes to continue for another full term in the role of Vice President of Programs.

Vice President of Legislation – Jessica Wong Sumida

Jessica Wong Sumida graduated with a MA in Psychology from Chapman University and a JD from Trinity Law School. She works for Department of Human Service, Child Welfare Service and has over 15 years of experience working with the DOE. She is also the executive director of the Autism Society of Hawaii, serves on the legislative committee of the Children's Community Council, is the VP for Legislation of the Hawaii State Parent Teacher Student Association, and volunteers on the National PTA Strategic Outreach Committee.

Vice President of Membership – Missy Hoesel

I have been an active member of my daughters local PTSA units for the past 7 years, 4 of those years as President and now as Vice President for my older daughters middle school as well. It is so important to me to advocate for not only my own two children, but for all of Hawaii's keiki: to ensure that they are getting the best possible education experience. For the past two years I have been fortunate to serve on the State board in the position of Vice President of Membership and I feel that it has been a honor to learn and contribute in all aspects of the PTSA. I would like to continue this journey and my goal is to find additional ways to bring more people into our community as members of this wonderful and important association.

East Hawaii Regional Director – Cheryl Kiefer

As a retired teacher who taught for over 20 years at the middle school level, Cheryl Kiefer first became involved with the Keaau Middle PTSA seven years ago in the role of teacher liaison. In her current role of treasurer, Cheryl has worked hard to get Keaau Middle PTSA back on fiscal track. Cheryl's PTSA experience includes involvement with fundraising (Scholastic Book Fairs and School Kine Cookie Sales), assisting with the 8th grade banquet and graduation, and coordinating the PTA Reflections art program.

Cheryl stepped into the East Hawaii Region Director position at the 2016 Hawaii State PTSA Convention. She would like to continue in this capacity, with the goal of assisting other struggling PTSAs and seeing the Big Island be an outstanding representation of parents, students, and teachers in the ever-changing landscape of education.

Secretary – Vacant**

West Hawaii Region Director – Vacant**

West Oahu Region Director – Vacant**

Windward Oahu Region Director – Vacant**

Kaua'i Region Director - *(For current vacant position through 2019.)*

(** Anyone interesting in one of these positions may run from the floor by notifying Liz Sager, Hawaii State PTSA President by the start of the Convention's General Session I or by emailing histateptsa@gmail.com.)