



APT Mission Statement

*The mission of the **Lake Forest District 67 Association of Parents and Teachers** is to foster **cooperative** working relationships, to promote **communication** within the school community, and to enhance the **education and enrichment** of our children. Membership in APT **supports** the children, parents and professionals (teachers, administration, and support staff).*

*The APT embraces our responsibility to promote **respect and inclusion** for all parties as cornerstones of these relationships. Our purpose is to establish a close working relationship among the home, school, and community that all may cooperate effectively.*

*We support, through organization and volunteer help, those activities that offer direct educational enrichment for our children as well as those that add to the **positive culture and climate** of our schools. A few of the many efforts include: Art Fair; Book Talks; Community Service; Board of Education, LFHS, CROYA & Spirit of 67 Liaisons; Director; Culture Fair; Fine Arts/Visiting Author, Student & Parent Awareness, Room Parents; and WEB Day.*

We take responsibility to be informed about District issues. We work to communicate to our membership through various means and to keep them apprised of all matters occurring in the District.

General Responsibilities of all APT Board Members

All Deer Path Middle School APT Board Members are kindly requested to:

- Attend all APT Board meetings and events, including Annual District 67 APT Meeting in March.
- Maintain District 67 APT membership.
- Prepare report of committee highlights, submit to Secretary & present at monthly APT meetings.
- Communicate and participate with respective APT Executive Board Representatives as necessary.
- Maintain committee budget and submit receipts to Treasurer as directed.
- Promote participation in APT with school parent population.
- Invite parents from APT Volunteer List to assist with activities and events.
- Submit information to APT website to publicize APT functions and recognize volunteer efforts.
- Maintain APT Committee File with on-going notes and prepare End of Year Report (in May.) Review position with incoming representative(s).



APT Commitment to Civility

“The purpose of this organization is to establish a close working relationship among the home, school, and community, that all may cooperate effectively in the education and enrichment of the children.” (Article II, APT Bylaws.) We embrace our responsibility to promote respect and inclusion for all parties as cornerstones of these relationships.

WE STRIVE TO:

Promote courteous, respectful relationships among all members of the school community, including students, teachers, parents, administrators, and support staff.

APT GOALS:

- To speak and behave in a courteous manner at all times, and ask others to do the same.
- To refrain from personal attacks and verbal abuse, and to reserve the right to reschedule or terminate discussions involving such behavior.
- To model and expect respectful behavior of those attending school meetings, activities, and functions, recognizing that each of us is a role model to our students.

Promote productive, effective relationships with and among members of the school community.

APT GOALS:

- To welcome and include all interested parents and staff, being mindful that effective education is always a partnership.
- To listen to and actively consider diverse points of view.
- To encourage direct, respectful, fact-based communication, even when differences exist.
- To seek to identify common ground, rather than insisting upon one’s own position.
- To agree to disagree when appropriate to allow discussion to progress for the common good.

Thank you for respecting our commitment to civil behavior and effective relationships with all members of our school community.