

**PTA MEMBER BALLOT -**

**2016 Proposed Legislative Program**

**POSITION STATION #1:**

**Virginia PTA supports development of a technology funding formula that will provide predictable and continuing revenue for educational technology and equipment. This formula shall also include funding for support personnel to train and assist in the use of educational technology.**

In many divisions, the cost of technology, infrastructure and the personnel and training of this technology is funded locally with very little if any state support. Development of a funding formula will reduce this local burden and go to encourage equity in access to technology.

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**POSITION STATEMENT #2:**

**Virginia PTA supports the adoption of parent engagement plans at the state and local level. Plans should include effective parent engagement practices such as:**

• Create a welcoming school climate.

• Provide families information related to child development and creating supportive learning environments.

• Establish effective school-to-home and home-to-school communication

• Strengthen families’ knowledge and skills to support and extend their children’s learning at home and

in the community.

• Engage families in school planning, leadership and meaningful volunteer opportunities.

• Connect students and families to community resources that strengthen and support students’ learning

and well-being

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