

Flower Installation Ceremony

Tonight, the officers of the _____ PTA will be installed using a theme of flowers. Flowers, in addition to being fragrant and beautiful, are often given special messages and meanings. The flowers you will see today (both human and botanical), were selected because they are best suited to the job in our PTA

Will the newly elected officers of the _____ PTA, please come forward?

_____, **1st VP-Programs** (Yellow Carnation)

The meaning of this yellow carnation is “state of being intensely interested” which means you are going to be working hard in keeping our students interested in school with many programs.

Note: Along with each of these flowers you will see a fern and baby’s breath. The meaning of a fern is “A secret bond,” and baby’s breath is “Festivity.” These two are things that I think we all need to have a great year.

_____, **2nd VP-Fundraising** (Tiger Lily)

The meaning of the tiger lily is “Wealth.” You will be working on raising money for the _____ PTA.

_____, **3rd VP- Membership** (Sunflower)

The meaning of a sunflower is “Pride”. As membership chairman, you are going to show everyone the pride of the _____ (mascot) by getting everyone to join our _____ PTA.

_____, **Recording Secretary** (Yellow Rose)

The message in the yellow rose is “Welcome back”. As recording secretary, you will always be there to welcome us back and let us know of what happened in the past meetings with your minutes.

_____, **Corresponding Secretary** (Daisy)

The meaning of a daisy is “I share your sentiment.” As corresponding secretary, you will be making sure we know when meetings are and sharing the sentiments of others.

_____, **Treasurer** (Calla Lilly)

These green leaves are symbolic of the treasury you will supervise. Be sure the money is used wisely and for PTA purposes.

_____, **Auditor** (Red Carnation)

A red carnation means “YES.” When auditing the books, we hope that you will be saying YES they are all good.

_____, **Historian** (Pink Carnation)

The meaning of a pink carnation is “I’ll never forget.” Your job is to make sure that we never forget the important wonderful programs and events that take place this year.

_____, **Parliamentarian** (Pink Rose)

The meaning of a white and red rose is “unity.” As parliamentarian, you will be keeping unity among the board this year.

_____, **Advisor** (Gladiola)

A gladiola is the Chinese symbol for “many children.” Gladiolas are perfect for you because you are take care of our many children.

_____, **President** (Mixed bouquet)

In this bouquet is each of the flowers that I have given to each of the officers. As president, _____ PTA will enjoy the beauty of working with this lovely board and will need little bit of each of these characteristics to pull of a great year.

There is a Chinese proverb that says, “All the flowers of tomorrow are in the seeds of today.” Strong, healthy well-educated children carry forward our heritage. We present all these flowers as a symbol of faithfulness, loyalty and harmony. Your clear judgment and sincerity will enable the _____ PTA to grow, spread and sow itself anew.

Will each of you separately and in a united effort, work toward the fulfillment of our PTA objectives in the service of children and youth? (Everyone will say, “I will.”)

Madame president, I present to you next year’s officers of the _____ PTA.

To the New Officers...

There is a definite challenge that confronts each of you. Do you accept this challenge and the responsibility it involves?

Will you be loyal to each other, tolerant of opinions and suggestions, and set an

example of dignity and self-control in the performance of your duties?

As members of the _____ PTA, your cooperation and attendance at meetings are needed. Are you willing to pledge your active assistance to these officers?

I now declare you duly installed officers of _____ PTA. May you find great joy in helping to make this a better world for children and youth.