**Talking Points for Legislative Chairs, November 2018**

Details are in the November issue of the *Advocacy Communicator.*

* Last month the *Advocacy Communicator* had an article about *Getting Down to Facts II,* a huge study of California’s education system by more than 100 researchers. The researchers asked two panels, each with 11 educators, what is would take to make sure all students in California graduate from high school prepared to be successful. The panels came up with specific proposals that would cost an average of $16,800 per student, which is about 38 percent more than the state spent per pupil in 2016-17.
* Our school district will be looking at its Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) in the next several months. The *Communicator* has some resources that will help us prepare to be involved in that process.
* Registration is open for Sacramento Safari! Who is going to represent our PTA?
* The next California State PTA advocacy conference call is scheduled for Monday, November 26, at 7 p.m. Directions are in the *Communicator*.
* The top priority for California State PTA during the past legislative session was getting AB 2878 passed. It passed the state legislature and has been signed into law! This bill provides a more detailed description of family engagement, which is one of the eight priorities that must be addressed in every school district’s LCAP.
* The Fourth District PTA Advocacy Forum is coming up on November 16. The guest speakers will explain how school funding works at the state, county and local level. This is information we all should have!

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