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## Membership & Student Directory Information

The PTSA provides a school-wide student directory—which includes students' names, addresses, telephone numbers, parent/guardian names, email addresses and classroom, homeroom or teacher assignment<sup>1</sup>—to members only.

### The Student Directory is Indispensable!

The directory is an extremely useful tool for families. It is never distributed to anyone outside of the school district. It can be used to • communicate with other parents • get homework help • carpool to/from school and other events • receive PTSA information via email, plus much, much more!

In addition to the student directory, the PTSA provides many programs to students and staff alike. In order to take advantage of this opportunity to join and receive a directory, please complete the form and return your payment to the school office.

### Why Join the PTSA?

The number-one reason to join the Parent Teacher Student Association is to benefit your child. In doing so, you also help your school. But there are many more advantages. Here are just a few:

**Get Connected.** There's no better way to know what's happening in your school.

**Discover Great Resources.** The PTSA offers a variety of programs designed for parents as well as students.

**Tap into a Network.** Parenting is not easy—it helps to share ideas, concerns and experiences with other parents and educators in the community. PTSA functions are opportunities to meet other parents and teachers, building rapport and discussing issues that are on your mind.

**Watch Yourself Grow.** By volunteering, you gain valuable experiences. It's an opportunity to put your skills and hobbies to good use for a good cause—your child and all children in the community.

**Speak Up.** Because the PTSA is a forum for exchanging ideas, you are encouraged to make suggestions. PTSA can be a way for you to more effectively suggest change at your child's school.

**Witness Improvement.** By getting involved at your child's school you'll be part of the solution, helping make positive changes. Local PTAs play an important role in fundraising to provide building improvements, curriculum-based programs, and social events—all vital to a school's success.

**Be a Role Model.** By becoming a PTSA member, you'll be demonstrating to your child the importance you place on education.

**Don't forget to enclose payment!**

### What is the difference between a PTA and PTSA?

Students at Ferndale Middle (grades 7 & 8), Ferndale High (grades 9-12) and University High (grades 9-12) Schools are allowed to join the PTA as card-carrying, dues-paying members with voting privileges. Because students can provide valuable ideas and manpower to the association, the PTA invites students to fully participate. This also provides a great opportunity for students to interact in a community organization. Since the PTSA designation was authorized by the National PTA in 1958, the proposed name of the association includes the PTSA label to reflect student participation.

### Please complete for membership information

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

I am a ...  Parent

Student

Staff Member

Personal information will not be included

### Child | Student Information (for this school only)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Name<sup>2</sup> (last, first)

9 10 11 12  
Grade (circle one)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Name<sup>2</sup> (last, first)

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Grade (circle one)

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Student Name<sup>2</sup> (last, first)

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Grade (circle one)

### Parent | Guardian Information

\_\_\_\_\_  
Father's/Guardian's Name<sup>2</sup> (last, first)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mother's/Guardian's Name<sup>2</sup> (last, first)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address

Please indicate that our telephone number is unlisted by placing an asterisk by it

Please keep our telephone number unlisted

I've enclosed \$\_\_\_\_\_ (includes one directory) for an individual initial membership. Each additional membership is \$\_\_\_\_\_. Additional directories are \$1 with a paid, same household membership.

I am interested in volunteering:  I would like to sell memberships at a school-sponsored event, such as parent-teacher conferences

Contact me and let me know where I can help

**Please make checks payable to "UHS PTSA"** and return this form with payment to the UHS school office in an envelope labeled **"UHS PTSA Membership"** before October 15. Directories will be distributed in December. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Breen-Bondie at 248.399.2607.

**Visit us online at [www.ferndalepta.org](http://www.ferndalepta.org)**

<sup>1</sup>Your information will be included whether or not you join. If you do not want this information to be published, you must return this form to the school office as soon as possible. If you already signed a waiver from the district indicating you do not want information included in the student directory, your information will automatically be excluded. If you did sign a waiver and now want your information included, please complete this form. It will override the waiver for this purpose only.

<sup>2</sup>Indicate name exactly as it should appear in the directory.

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