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Dear Student:

Do you want to make a difference in your school, home and community? Do you wish you could have more say in what happens in your school? Do you wish parents, teachers and administrators better understood your needs? Do you think adults should know more about the views of today's students on subjects like teen sexuality, alcohol, drug use, Internet usage and television viewing habits? Do you want to work on an equal footing with adults - have equal rights and responsibilities?

A PTSA membership offers you these kinds of opportunities. The PTA is one of the largest volunteer organizations in the world. Its six million members include parents, teachers, administrators, students, community leaders and senior citizens.

Adults often decide what is best for young people without consulting them. The PTSA is one of the few youth-focused organizations that actually gives its student members equal rights, equal responsibilities, and an equal vote. PTA volunteers research and advocate for issues and laws pertaining to youth. Even before legal voting age, your voice will be heard locally, statewide and nationwide as a member of a trusted national youth advocacy organization.

Through PTSA involvement, you can gain leadership experience and learn new skills such as conflict resolution and goal setting. You also can improve your school and community by organizing and participating in PTSA programs, addressing such topics as substance abuse, test results, violence prevention, peer mediation, teen health, local legislative issues and arts education.

Join School of Engineering and Sciences PTSA. For more information, contact SES PTSA Membership Chairman, Liz Ehlers, at LizEhlers@sbcglobal.net.

Sincerely,
Mary Clark
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PTSA President

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