

PTA/PTSA Records Retention Policy

The	PTA/PTSA adopted this po	licy regarding records retention on
(date).	This policy shall be reviewed by the	PTA/PTSA executive board annually and
may on	ly be changed by a majority vote of membership	at a regular meeting. This document shall be
maintai	ned by the secretary of this PTA.	

Description of Record(s)	Manner of Record-Keeping*	Disposition
Accounts payable records		7 years
Annual audit reports		Permanent
Articles of Incorporation, if applicable		Permanent
Bank reconciliations		1 year
Bylaws, including all amendments		Permanent
Cash receipt records		7 years
Checks (canceled) (see exception, next line)		7 years
Checks (canceled) for important payments, i.e., taxes, special contracts, etc. (Checks should be filed with the papers pertaining to the transaction.)		Permanent
Contracts and leases (expired)		7 years
Contracts and leases still in effect		Permanent
Corporation reports filed with the secretary of state, if incorporated		Permanent
Correspondence with customers or vendors		1 year
Correspondence (general)		3 years
Correspondence (legal)		Permanent
Duplicate deposit slips		1 year
Employee records (post-termination), if applicable		3 years
Employment applications, if applicable		3 years
Ethics/Conflict of Interest Policy	Secretary	Permanent
Equipment owned by the PTA		Permanent
Financial statements (year-end) and budgets		10 years
Grant award letters of agreement		10 years
Insurance records, accident reports, claims, policies, certificates		Permanent
Inventories (products and materials)		7 years
Invoices		7 years
Journals (ledger books)		Permanent
Minute books of board, general and committees		Permanent

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PTA charter		Permanent
Purchase orders		7 years
Record retention policy		Permanent
Sales records		7 years
Standing rules (current)		Permanent
 Tax-exempt status documents Letter assigning IRS Employee Identification Number (EIN) Form 990/990-EZ and Schedule A, as filed with IRS State tax information returns, as filed Form 990-T, if applicable, for unrelated business income Correspondence with IRS Other information returns filed with the government 		Permanent
Vouchers for payments to vendors, officers, etc. (includes allowances and reimbursements to officers, members, etc., for travel and other expenses)		7 years

^{*} The "Manner of Record-Keeping" refers to both the storage location as well as the type of record (electronic or print).

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