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DeWine appoints two new members to State Board of Education

Two new State Board of Education members took their seats at the board's meeting earlier this month. Gov. **Mike DeWine** appointed Columbus residents **Steve Dackin** and **Reginald Wilkinson** to fill two at-large vacancies on the board. Dackin, who serves as the superintendent of school and community partnerships at Columbus State Community College, will serve out the remainder of **James Sheppard's** term, which runs through the end of 2020. Dackin is a former **Reynoldsburg City** superintendent and was a finalist for state superintendent of public instruction in 2011 before withdrawing his name from consideration. Wilkinson, a former director of the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, succeeds **David Brinegar**.

State adopts K-12 social-emotional learning standards

The State Board of Education has adopted Ohio's Social and Emotional Learning Standards for grades kindergarten through 12. Ohio teachers, school counselors and other education personnel used a stakeholder-driven process to develop the standards. According to the Ohio Department of Education (ODE), each district and school will decide for itself how it uses the standards, based on the values and needs of its local community. ODE will not develop tests to measure student progress in learning the standards. Instead, schools and districts will have the flexibility to choose whether and how to gauge the extent to which students demonstrate mastery of them. For more information, visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/24229>.

Remember to sign up for Capital Conference's special events

OSBA Capital Conference and Trade Show registration opened July 15. When registering, don't forget to sign up for several special events that require separate registration. Let your superintendent or treasurer know that you would like to attend the OSBA Black Caucus Dinner and the two Conference Luncheons. The keynote speaker at the caucus dinner is State Board of Education Vice President **Charlotte McGuire**. The dinner is open to all attendees. The Nov. 11 luncheon features Dr. **Frederic Bertley**, president and chief executive officer of the Center of Science and Industry in Columbus. The speaker at the Nov. 12 luncheon is former Ohio State University football star and youth advocate **Maurice Clarett**. The conference runs Nov. 10-12 in Columbus. For details, go to <http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org>.

OSBA launching its 18th annual Media Honor Roll program

OSBA will kick off its 2019 Media Honor Roll program next month. The program provides districts the opportunity to recognize their local journalists for providing fair and accurate coverage of their schools. It is designed to help districts build and

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- ☐ Administrators
- ☐ EMIS coordinators
- ☐ Human resources directors
- ☐ Transportation supervisors

maintain positive, productive relationships with the news media. Those relationships help ensure fair and balanced reporting along with continuing community support. Details will be emailed to superintendents and communications directors and posted at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/35524> in early August.

BWC board OKs returning \$1.5 billion to employers

The Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC) Board of Directors has approved a proposal from Gov. **Mike DeWine** to send \$1.5 billion of the agency's revenues to Ohio employers covered by the BWC system. BWC, the state's insurance fund for injured workers, will begin sending checks to approximately 180,000 private and public employers in late September. While the bulk of the money will go to private firms,

Students explore engineering at manufacturing camp

Students entering sixth to ninth grade explored the high-tech world of engineering, design and manufacturing at the Coshocton Manufacturing and Technology Camp.

Various games and exercises helped students develop leadership and team-building skills at the Coshocton Campus of Central Ohio Technical College.

During the weeklong camp, students learned about real-world engineering problems, created solutions for those problems and presented projects to family and dignitaries.

Tours also were held at local facilities, including AK Steel, McWane Ductile, Jones Metal Products Co., Kraft Heinz Co. and the Coshocton Water Treatment Plant.

Source: Coshocton Tribune

an estimated \$114 million will go to counties, cities, townships and other local government entities. Public school districts will receive nearly \$50 million. A list of the dividend's estimated distribution to public employers is posted at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/19310>.

OSBA offers school board candidate resources

Board members and candidates can access free webinars and other key resources on OSBA's Get on Board campaign website, www.getonboardohio.org. Resources include information on filing deadlines, running a campaign and campaign expenditures. Candidates also can sign up to receive campaign information and updates on OSBA webinars and workshops.

OSBA online

● www.ohioschoolboards.org

OSBA offers an online guide to help school districts prepare for and recover from a disaster. Titled Lessons Learned: Disaster tool kit for schools, the guide examines issues districts might have to cope with in the event of a disaster. The tool kit's webpage also provides a number of other helpful resources. Visit www.ohioschoolboards.org/disaster-toolkit to learn more.



Briefcase

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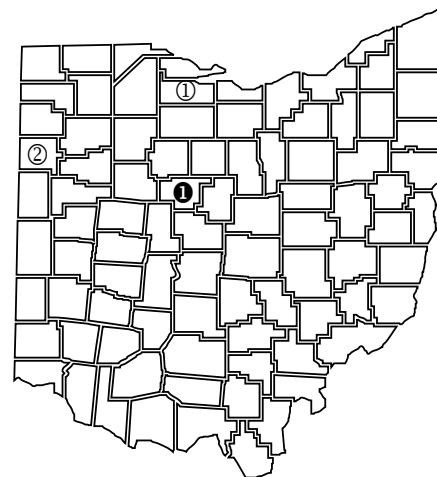
OSBA executive searches

Superintendent

District	Deadline	Contact
① River Valley Local (Marion)	July 26	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000

Treasurer

District	Deadline	Contact
① Vanguard-Sentinel Career & Technology Centers	Aug. 8	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000
② Van Wert City	Aug. 15	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000



National searches

Position	Location	Deadline	Contact
Superintendent	Suffolk, Va.	Aug. 2	Gina Patterson, executive director, Virginia School Boards Association, (434) 295-8722

Board changes

Highland Local (Morrow) appointed **William Short** to the board effective July 1. He replaced **Loren Altizer**, who resigned. ●●● Wayne Trace Local (Paulding) Board of Education member **Kori Stoller** announced her resignation effective immediately.

Administrative changes

Superintendents

Bridgeport EV hired **Brent Ripley** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace **Zac Shutler**, who is resigning. Ripley currently is director of operations at **Harrison Hills City**. ●●● Girard City hired **Bryan O'Hara** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace **David Cappuzzello**, who took the superintendent position at **Austintown Local (Mahoning)**. O'Hara currently is a principal in the district. Cappuzzello will replace Interim Superintendent **Stan Watson**.

●●● Northwest Local (Stark) Superintendent

Dr. **Michael R. Shreffler** announced his resignation effective July 31. He has taken the curriculum consultant position at **Stark County ESC**. ●●● River Valley Local (Marion) Superintendent **James P. Peterson** announced his retirement effective July 31. ●●● Twin Valley Community Local (Preble) hired **Scott Cottingim** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace **Joe Scholler**. Cottingim currently is a principal in the district. ●●● Wauseon EV hired **Troy Armstrong**

Editor's note

Job postings must be received six weeks before the application deadline to ensure timely publication.
Thank you for your cooperation.

as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace **Larry Brown**, who took the superintendent position at **Fort Recovery Local (Mercer)**. Armstrong currently is assistant superintendent at **Springfield Local (Lucas)**. ●●● **Tipp City EV** hired **Steve Verhoff** as assistant superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace **Galen Gingerich**, who took an elementary school principal position in the district. Verhoff currently is a high school principal in the district.

Treasurers

Austintown Local (Mahoning) hired **Blaise E. Karlovic** as treasurer effective Aug. 1. He will replace **Ryan Ghizzoni**, who resigned effective July 1. Karlovic currently is treasurer at **Mahoning County Career & Technical Center**. ●●● **Blanchester Local (Clinton)** Treasurer **Darlene Kassner** announced her retirement effective Dec. 31.

Sympathies

Roger E. VanDyke, treasurer at the former **Albany School District** in Athens County, died July 4. He was 95. ●●● Former **Arcadia Local (Hancock)** Assistant Superintendent and Superintendent and **Avon Lake Local (Lorain)** Superintendent **Robert J. Robinson** died July 5. He was 94. ●●● Former **Chardon Local (Geauga)** and **Fairport Harbor EV Superintendent** and **Cuyahoga Heights Local (Cuyahoga)** Interim Superintendent **Joseph "Joe" Bergant II** died July 2. He was 62. ●●● Former **Fostoria City Board of Education** member **Raymond W. Bodie** died July 2. He was 86. ●●● Former **Huntington Local (Ross)** Board of Education member **Timothy Zickafoose** died June 28. He was 66.



OSBA MASTER OF TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION (MTA) PROGRAM

The MTA curriculum is suitable for new or veteran administrators and delivered over a three-year period, with a minimum of five classes each school year. The program focuses on three core competencies:

- compliance and safety;
- operations management;
- governance and finance.

Participation in MTA includes access to online class materials, OSBA's advanced pupil transportation library, transportation data summaries and cost calculators. You may register for individual classes or purchase the training-level subscription. The subscription is a one-year contract and includes all competencies over a three-year period and required projects that benefit districts. Three years are required to complete the program.

These half-day workshops — offered from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. — include a working lunch and time for questions. Each class is offered twice; participants may sign up for either date. Each class is \$100, or you can purchase an MTA subscription for the workshop series. The workshops will be at the OSBA office, 8050 N. High St., Columbus, OH 43235. Visit www.ohioschoolboards.org/transportation-training-programs to learn about the MTA certification program and view a 2019–20 class schedule. Classes run throughout the school year, from September to April.

Register online at www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops. For questions about the program or to register, contact **Diana Paulins**, OSBA senior administrative assistant of board and management services, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or mta@ohioschoolboards.org.



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Is a superintendent or treasurer search in your future?

“OSBA went beyond all expectations we could have imagined. The process allowed us to think about our district's future. Our staff and community were very pleased with the amount of involvement afforded to them. Thanks to our consultant and OSBA, we hired a person who also believed in our district vision.

— Pamela Freshour,
Pleasant Local (Marion)

OSBA's searches are:

- ✓ **Led by professional search consultants with school board experience**
- ✓ **Customized to your district's needs**
- ✓ **Affordable**
- ✓ **Offered with the OSBA guarantee***
*In the unlikely circumstance you are unable to make a clear decision, OSBA will reopen the search and work with you until the right choice is made.

Need more information?

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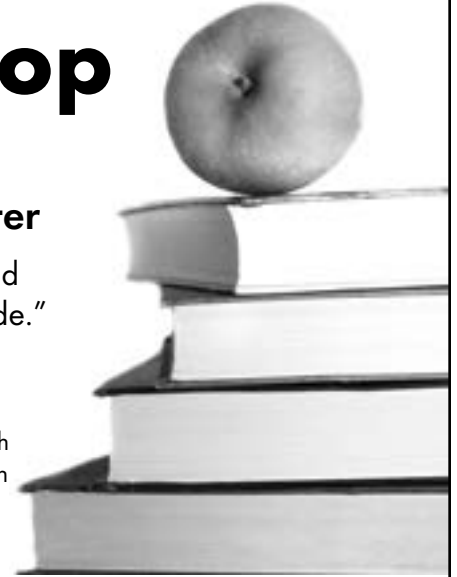
Attendance, Tuition and Custody Law Workshop

Friday, Aug. 2 • 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center, Lewis Center

Cost: \$190, includes registration, continental breakfast, lunch, materials and OSBA's recently revised "Ohio Public Student Attendance and Tuition Guide."

OSBA's Attendance, Tuition and Custody Law Workshop is designed for EMIS coordinators, attendance officers and others responsible for enforcing attendance and tuition matters in a district. This year's workshop focuses on Ohio's attendance laws, unique issues associated with adult student learners, deciphering divorce decrees, handling tuition disputes and working with resources to resolve attendance and tuition questions.



Agenda

8:30 a.m. Registration and continental breakfast (provided)

8:50 a.m. Welcome

9 a.m. A look at Ohio's attendance laws

Review current laws in Ohio on attendance, absences and truancy. Revisit House Bill 410 requirements and the most frequently asked questions about tracking and reporting attendance, handling excessive absences and establishing absence intervention teams.

Brittany Miracle, program administrator, Ohio Department of Education (ODE)

10 a.m. Unique issues associated with emancipated minors and adult student learners

This session highlights some of the unique issues and challenges that arise with adult students and emancipated minors. Walk through practical scenarios and leave with answers to frequently asked questions.

Andrea Stone, Esq., Ulmer & Berne LLP

10:45 a.m. Break

11 a.m. Deciphering divorce decrees and other court orders

Court orders frequently determine which parent is entitled to enroll a student in school and who has the right and responsibility to sign important school documents and consent to school services. Learn more about reading, understanding and modifying court orders.

Derek Towster, Esq., Scott Scriven LLP

Noon Lunch (provided)

1 p.m. Tuition: Calculating, billing and handling disputes

This session reviews the laws and processes related to tuition obligations, including how payment is calculated, how to change the district responsible for paying tuition and how best to handle other types of tuition disputes.

Leanne Sidley and Andy Smith, area coordinators, ODE

1:45 p.m. Break

2 p.m. Working with your resources

So often, the resolution of an attendance or tuition question requires the knowledge or assistance of many different agencies and resources. This session presents real-life scenarios to a panel of experts to help identify opportunities for collaboration, cooperation and resolution.

Janie Gildersleeve, truancy officer/home school coordinator, Ashtabula County ESC; Magistrate David Kelley, Hamilton County Juvenile Court; Anne O'Leary, Esq., chief legal counsel, Franklin County Children Services; and Leanne Sidley and Andy Smith. Moderator: Sara C. Clark, chief legal counsel, OSBA

3:30 p.m. Adjourn

The workshop will be held at Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center, 100 Green Meadows Drive South, Lewis Center, 43035.

The phone number is (614) 880-4300. Register online at **www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops** or contact **Laurie**

Miller, OSBA senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org. Unauthorized audio recording or videotaping of any session is strictly prohibited.

Reasonable Suspicion Training



OSBA is offering a reasonable suspicion drug and alcohol training program for supervisors. Completion of this course is required for all supervisors of safety-sensitive (commercial driver's license) drivers, including school bus drivers. Best practice is that each district have at least two administrators trained in this requirement.

The course meets the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration U.S. Department of Transportation requirements. Attendees will receive a certificate of completion.

Details: This workshop is being offered on Tuesday, Aug. 13, at the OSBA office in Columbus. Choose either the morning session, from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., or the afternoon session, from noon to 2 p.m.

Cost: \$50

Registration: Online at www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops or contact **Laurie Miller**, senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org



Advocating for public education

Kids PAC gives board members the opportunity to belong to a political action committee (PAC) whose members are aware of the problems facing public education and whose goals are aimed at dealing with these issues.

With a PAC, we have a voice and can advocate for the future of public education. *Kids PAC* allows OSBA to advance its legislative platform by supporting candidates who believe in its goals.

Why is *Kids PAC* important?

Kids PAC supports candidates who are involved with and passionate about public education. It also raises the visibility of school board members' views, interests and concerns among influential legislators.

Join *Kids PAC* today!

Invest in their future

To be active advocates for Ohio's children, we need a strong PAC. Contribute to *Kids PAC* today! Contributions can be made online, by personal check made payable to *Kids PAC* or by cash up to \$100. By law, school district and corporate checks cannot be accepted. *Kids PAC* is a political action committee, and contributions are not tax deductible. Learn more at www.kidspac.org.

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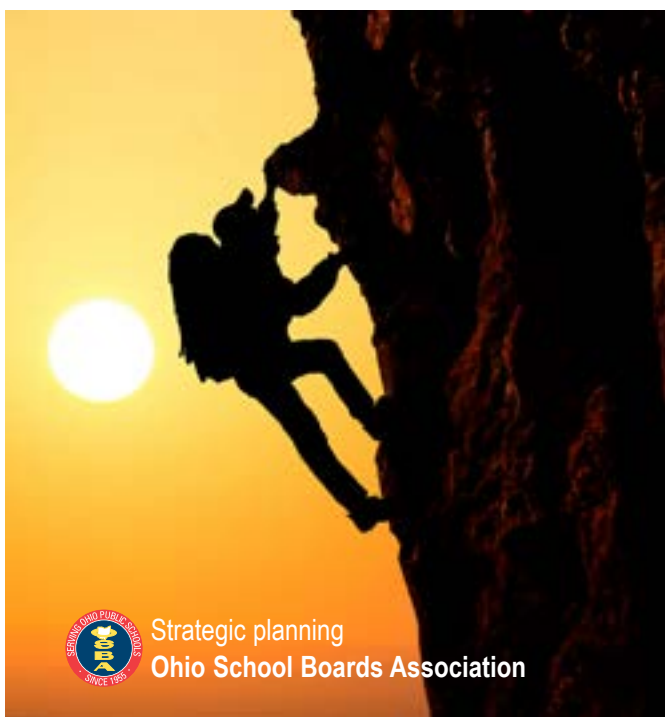


Budget Analysis and Discussion Seminar

Thursday, Aug. 15 • Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center, Lewis Center
9 a.m.-3:15 p.m. • Cost: \$200

Attend the Budget Analysis and Discussion (BAD) Seminar for the most in-depth analysis on the 2020-21 state budget. This comprehensive seminar will provide insights on the budget process and final version of the legislation.

The workshop will be held at Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center, 100 Green Meadows Drive South, Lewis Center, 43035. The phone number is (614) 880-4300. Register online at www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops or contact **Laurie Miller**, OSBA senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org. Unauthorized audio recording or videotaping of any session is strictly prohibited.



Strategic planning
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When you are ready to help your district move forward, OSBA can help. Choose the planning option that meets your district's specific needs:

- District strategic planning
- District goal setting
- Superintendent performance goals

For more information about planning options offered by the OSBA Division of Board and Management Services, go to www.ohioschoolboards.org/school-board-services. To schedule a planning session, contact OSBA at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA.



Become a voice for Ohio students

Attend a Board Candidate Workshop or Webinar for insight on running a campaign

OSBA will be conducting five **Board Candidate Workshops** in September. Veteran staff will lead candidates through a concise and valuable program to help them better understand the everyday roles and responsibilities of school board members and the legal aspects of campaigning and being a board member.

Workshop and webinar registrants will receive a Board Candidate Kit, which includes "Candidate: A practical guide to running for school board;" a subscription to the OSBA Journal, the premier bimonthly magazine for school board members; and a subscription to Briefcase, a semimonthly newsletter.

After Sept. 16, the webinar will be available for purchase to watch at your convenience.

The cost for each workshop or the webinar is \$50. Registration information is available at www.getonboardohio.org/board-candidate-workshops. Visit that website to register online or contact **Laurie Miller**, OSBA senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org.

WORKSHOPS

Northeast

Wednesday, Sept. 4 • 6 p.m.-9 p.m.
ESC of Northeast Ohio, Independence

Southwest

Thursday, Sept. 5 • 6 p.m.-9 p.m.
Southern Ohio ESC, Wilmington

Northwest

Wednesday, Sept. 11 • 6 p.m.-9 p.m.
Wood County ESC, Bowling Green

Southeast

Thursday, Sept. 12 • 6 p.m.-9 p.m.
Muskingum Valley ESC, Zanesville

Central

Saturday, Sept. 14 • 9 a.m.-noon
OSBA office, Columbus

WEBINAR

Monday, Sept. 16 • 1 p.m.-2 p.m.

This will be a condensed online version of the regional workshops. The first half hour will focus on board roles and responsibilities and the second half hour will cover campaign finance and legal issues.

WEBINAR

Storytelling in a Digital Age:

Cut through the noise to market your career center or school district



Wednesday, Aug. 28 • 10 a.m.-11 a.m. • Cost: \$50

Career centers are challenged to market their programs to the districts they serve as well as students in those districts. Likewise, local, exempted village and city school districts face competition for students and need to show their value to their local communities. **Delaware Area Career Center** shares how it used research and data to create communication strategies tied to its strategic plan, ensuring buy-in from board members, administrators and staff.

Review how to tailor your messages to reach various audiences, and see examples of how to tell your students' stories using free tools on social media. Get strategies for working with local partners to promote your messages, and discover how CASE (copy and steal everything) can help any PR professional be more efficient and effective.

Registration: Online at www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops or contact **Laurie Miller**, senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org



Collective Bargaining Workshop

Friday, Sept. 6 • 9 a.m.-3:15 p.m. • OSBA office, Columbus

Cost: \$180, includes a copy of the "Labor Relations in Ohio Public Schools" book

Join us to learn about the collective bargaining process, your role in that process and what you can do to ensure bargaining in your district goes smoothly. Learn tips for effective bargaining and discuss frequently exchanged bargaining proposals. This workshop is for anyone who might serve on the management side of the bargaining team: board members, superintendents and treasurers, and other administrative staff. *This program will be submitted to the Supreme Court of Ohio Commission on Continuing Legal Education for continuing legal education (CLE) credit.*

Register online at www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops or contact **Laurie Miller**, senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org.



Central Region Fall Conference



Wednesday, Sept. 25

Villa Milano, 1630 Schrock Road, Columbus, 43229 • (614) 882-2058

5 p.m. Networking

5:50 p.m. Welcome and introductions
*Stu Harris, Central Region president;
board member, Dublin City*

**Presentation of 2020 Central
Region Executive Committee
Slate of Nominations**

6 p.m. Legislative update

6:15 p.m. Dinner
Entertainment — student
performers

7 p.m. Program
OSBA update
*John W. Halkias, OSBA president;
board member, Plain Local (Stark)*

OSBA comments
*Rick Lewis, chief executive officer,
OSBA*

Keynote speaker

*Robert Post — “How to survive
middle school”*

Robert Post is an acclaimed comedian and actor who has performed on the “Today” show and at the Kennedy Center. Having won rave reviews from The New York Times and National Public Radio, this program brings kids center stage and gives them a voice.

Recognitions

- 2020 Outstanding Teachers of the Central Region
- Friends of Public Education
- Exemplary School Employee Award
- Champion of Public Education
- Outstanding board members
- Recognition of board members celebrating service milestones of 30 years or more

8:30 p.m. Adjourn

Reservation information

Make your reservations at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/crfall2019>. Online reservations allow districts to pay with a credit card, check or be invoiced after the conference if you provide a purchase order number.

The cost to attend is \$40. The reservation deadline is Monday, Sept. 16. Cancellations received at least three workdays before the day of the event may request a full refund. All others will be charged the full event fee. If paying by check, please make checks payable to Ohio School Boards Association Central Region and mail to **Melanie Price**, senior administrative assistant of communication services, Ohio School Boards Association, 8050 N. High St., Ste. 100, Columbus, OH 43235. If you require special accommodations, including food allergies or special dietary needs such as a gluten-free meal, please include the information in the notes of the online reservation.

Authority for reimbursement

Ohio Revised Code Section 3315.15 authorizes the establishment of a service fund for board members. This fund can be used for expenses incurred at a meeting such as this.

Award of Achievement

This conference entitles board members to five Award of Achievement credits.

Northeast Region Fall Conference

Wednesday, Oct. 2

The Galaxy Restaurant and Banquet Center

201 Park Center Drive, Wadsworth, 44281 • (877) 659-0054

5 p.m. Networking

5:45 p.m. Welcome and introductions

*Susie Lawson, Northeast Region president;
board member, Tri-County ESC and Wayne
County Schools Career Center*

Pledge of Allegiance

*Robert M. Heard Sr., Northeast Region
president-elect; board member, Cleveland
Municipal*

Invocation

6 p.m. Dinner

Balloting of 2020 officers

*Karen Dendorfer, Northeast Region
immediate past president; board member,
Parma City*

**Introductions of guests and Northeast
Region Executive Committee**

Susie Lawson

6:50 p.m. Program

● Recognition of Lester C. Marrison
Teacher Education Book Grant recipient
*Reno Contipelli, Northeast regional
manager, OSBA*

● OSBA update

*John W. Halkias, OSBA president; board
member, Plain Local (Stark)*

● OSBA comments

● Keynote speaker — Current legal update
*Kevin J. Locke, Esq., Pepple & Waggoner
Ltd.*

● Recognition of Northeast Region
superintendent, treasurer, administrator,
volunteer, career center program and
school board team of the year

● Recognition of Northeast Region Friend
of Public Education

● Presentation of Roger Samuelson award

● Recognition of outstanding Northeast
Region board members

● Recognition of National School Boards
Association Annual Conference presenters

● Recognition of Northeast Region board
members serving on OSBA committees

● Recognition of Student Achievement
Fair participants

8:30 p.m. Adjourn

Award of Achievement

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Authority for reimbursement

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establishment of a service fund for board members.
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meetings such as this.

Reservations

The cost to attend is \$40 each for OSBA members, guests and spouses, which covers the cost of the meal. You may make your reservation online at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/nefall2019> and pay by credit card, check or be invoiced after the conference when you provide a purchase order number. You also can email your reservation to **Melanie Price** at mprice@ohioschoolboards.org. Please make checks payable to Ohio School Boards Association and send the reservation form to **Melanie Price**, senior administrative assistant of communication services, Ohio School Boards Association, 8050 N. High St., Ste. 100, Columbus, OH 43235. The deadline to RSVP is Friday, Sept. 27. Please include payment or a purchase order number with reservation. Individuals who cancel by Friday, Sept. 27, may request a full refund. All others will be charged the full fee.

Enclosed is a check for \$ _____ and/or purchase order number _____ to cover _____ reservations.

District/county _____

Name, title _____

Name, title _____

Name, title _____

Name, title _____



_____ Check here if you require special accommodations. Attach a written description of needs.
(Please photocopy this form for additional reservations.)

Northwest Region Fall Conference

Celebrating hometown heroes

Thursday, Oct. 3

Tiffin Middle School

103 Shepherd Drive, Tiffin, 44883 • (419) 447-3358



5:30 p.m. Networking

Greeters

5:50 p.m. Welcome and introductions

Chris Varwig, Northwest Region president; board member, Toledo City

OSBA welcome

John W. Halkias, OSBA president; board member, Plain Local (Stark)

Invocation

Thomas C. Patterson, Sandusky City

6 p.m. Dinner

*Vanguard-Sentinel Career & Technology Centers
Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management students*

OSBA legislative update

Entertainment — Tiffin City's Tiffin Columbian
High School Choir

OSBA update

Awards and recognitions

- Outstanding board member recognition
- Recognition of veteran board members
- Ohio Department of Education 2019 awards
- 2020 Ohio Teacher of the Year finalists
- Northwest Region Excellence in Community Service Award
- Northwest Region Humanitarian Award
- Who's Who Excellence Award for Outstanding Leadership
- Recognition of the Bonnie Eddy Educational Supply and Book Grant
- Presentation of the Neil Pohlmann Award of Excellence in Education

Christopher Widman, Tiffin City and Vanguard-Sentinel Career & Technology Centers, and the family of Dr. Neil Pohlmann

8:30 p.m. Announcements and adjourn

Authority for reimbursement

Ohio Revised Code Section 3315.15 authorizes the establishment of a service fund for board members. This fund can be used for expenses incurred at meetings such as this.

Recognition award nomination forms are available at
www.ohioschoolboards.org/nw-region.

Award of Achievement

This conference entitles board members to five Award of Achievement credits.

Reservations

The cost to attend is \$30 per person or \$160 per table (seats six — use code NWFALL19 when making your reservation) for OSBA members, guests and spouses, which covers the cost of the meal. The cost is \$20 for students and their parents (use code NWSTUDENT when making your reservation). You may make your reservation online at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/nwfall2019> and pay by credit card, check or be invoiced after the conference when you provide a purchase order number. You also can email your reservation with a purchase order to **Melanie Price** at mprice@ohioschoolboards.org. **Please make checks payable to Ohio School Boards Association and send the reservation form to Melanie Price**, senior administrative assistant of communication services, Ohio School Boards Association, 8050 N. High St., Ste. 100, Columbus, OH 43235. The deadline for reservations is Monday, Sept. 16. Please include payment with your reservation. Individuals who cancel at least three workdays before the day of the meeting may request a full refund. All others will be charged the full fee.

Enclosed is a check for \$ _____ to cover _____ reservations or _____ tables.

District/County _____

Name, title _____

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Southeast Region Fall Conference

Thursday, Sept. 26

Logan High School, 14470 SR 328, Logan, 43138 • (740) 385-2086

5:30 p.m. Networking

Entertainment

6:15 p.m. Presiding and welcome

*Larry A. Good, Southeast Region
president; board member,
Muskingum Valley ESC*

Dinner

6:55 p.m. OSBA update

*John W. Halkias, OSBA
president; board member, Plain
Local (Stark)*

OSBA comments

Legislative update

**7:35 p.m. Annual business meeting and
election of 2020 officers**

7:45 p.m. Award presentations

● Recognition of Ohio
Department of Education
Purple Star Award schools

● Presentation of Southeast
Region President's Award

● Southeast Region's Advocate
of Education award

*Recipient: Dr. Barbara A.
Hansen, Dave Longaberger
professor of teaching and learning
and distinguished professor of
education—research adviser,
Muskingum University; and
board member, Muskingum
Valley ESC*

● Outstanding school board
member awards

● Annual Southeast Region
recognition awards

8:30 p.m. Adjourn

Award of Achievement

This conference entitles board members to five
Award of Achievement credits.

Authority for reimbursement

Ohio Revised Code Section 3315.15 authorizes the
establishment of a service fund for board members.
The fund can be used for expenses incurred at a
meeting such as this.

Reservations

The cost to attend is \$38 each for OSBA members, guests and spouses, which covers the cost of the meal. You may make your reservation online at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/sefall2019> and pay by credit card, check or be invoiced after the conference when you provide a purchase order number. You also can email your reservation with a purchase order number to **Melanie Price** at mprice@ohioschoolboards.org. **Please make checks payable to Ohio School Boards Association and send the reservation form to Melanie Price**, senior administrative assistant of communication services, Ohio School Boards Association, 8050 N. High St., Ste. 100, Columbus, OH 43235. Deadline for reservations is Friday, Sept. 20. Please include payment with reservation. Please note special dietary considerations. Individuals who cancel at least three workdays before the day of the meeting may request a full refund. All others will be charged the full fee.

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Southwest Region Fall Conference

Thursday, Oct. 10

Great Oaks Career Campuses, 3254 E. Kemper Road, Cincinnati, 45241 • (513) 771-8840

5 p.m. **Networking**

5:30 p.m. **Presiding**

*Linda A. Jordan, Southwest Region president;
board member, Clark County ESC*

Entertainment

5:55 p.m. **Presentation of colors**

Great Oaks Career Campuses color guard

Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence

*Fred Hunt, Southwest Region president-elect;
board member, Hamilton County ESC and Great
Oaks Career Campuses*

6 p.m. **Buffet dinner**

6:40 p.m. **Welcome and introductions**

Recognition of Blue Ribbon Schools

Southwest Region Executive Committee

Special presentation

OSBA update

*John W. Halkias, OSBA president; board member,
Plain Local (Stark)*

OSBA comments

Nominating Committee report and election

*Scott Huddle, Southwest Region immediate past president;
board member, Mad River Local (Montgomery)*

Legislative update

**Presentation of the annual Friend of Education Hall
of Fame award**

Presiding: Linda A. Jordan, assisted by Fred Hunt

*Co-recipients: Pamela Lindeman, executive director, and
James Carter, founder, Child Focus Inc.: public school
advocates providing safety nets for helping others*

**Presentation of certificates to Ohio Teacher of the
Year candidates from the Southwest Region**

Linda A. Jordan and John W. Halkias

**Recognition of 2019 Southwest Region outstanding
student programs**

*Linda A. Jordan, Fred Hunt and Dr. Kathy McFarland,
deputy chief executive, OSBA*

**Presentation of Al Kettlewell Awards for Outstanding
Board Members**

*Linda A. Jordan; Rick Lewis, chief executive officer, OSBA;
and Cindy Kettlewell*

**Recognition of 2019 Capital Conference Southwest
Region Student Achievement Fair participants**

Linda A. Jordan, John W. Halkias and Rick Lewis

Adjourn

Award of Achievement

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Authority for reimbursement

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Reservations

The cost to attend is \$38 each for OSBA members, guests and spouses, which covers the cost of the meal. You may make your reservation online at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/swfall2019> and pay by credit card, check or be invoiced after the conference when you provide a purchase order number. You also can email your reservation with a purchase order number to **Melanie Price** at mprice@ohioschoolboards.org. **Please make checks payable to Ohio School Boards Association and send the reservation form to Melanie Price**, senior administrative assistant of communication services, Ohio School Boards Association, 8050 N. High St., Ste. 100, Columbus, OH 43235. Deadline for reservations is Thursday, Oct. 3. Please include payment with reservation. Please note special dietary considerations. Individuals who cancel at least three workdays before the day of the meeting may request a full refund. All others will be charged the full fee.

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

compiled by Katy Farson, managing editor

Solve for Tomorrow contest

Samsung invites teachers to participate in the Solve for Tomorrow contest, which addresses a key academic challenge: to increase the pursuit of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) education. The contest challenges entrants to describe how STEM can help improve the environment in their communities.

Maximum awards: Each state winner school receives a \$20,000 prize package, including Samsung technology and classroom resources. National finalist schools each receive a \$50,000 prize package, and each national winner receives a prize package worth \$100,000.

Eligibility: public school teachers for grades six to 12

Deadline: Applications will be accepted from Sept. 6 through Nov. 13.

Contact: <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/81284>

STEM grants for schools using FirstEnergy Corp. companies

FirstEnergy Corp. is offering STEM Education Grants for educators in schools served by its electric operating companies. The grants are for any upcoming creative classroom projects related to science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

Maximum award: \$1,000

Eligibility: pre-K-12 educators in a school using a FirstEnergy Corp.

electric operating company (Ohio Edison; The Illuminating Co.; Toledo Edison)

Deadline: Sept. 20

Contact: <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/83118>

Funds for classroom gardens

The Herb Society of America will select 10 classrooms to receive a grant to establish an outdoor herb garden. The funds may be used for supplies such as soil, plant trays, child-sized tools and more.

Maximum award: \$200

Eligibility: teachers of grades three to six who have at least 15 students in their class

Deadline: Oct. 1

Contact: www.herbsociety.org/explore/grants-scholarships



LEGISLATIVE REPORT

by Will Schwartz, lobbyist

Legislature considering new school safety initiatives

The Ohio General Assembly is considering two pieces of legislation intended to improve school and student safety: Senate Bill (SB) 147, sponsored by Sen. **Frank Hoagland** (R-Mingo

Junction), and House Bill (HB) 123, sponsored by **Rep. Gayle Manning** (R-North Ridgeville).

SB 147 would establish the Ohio School Marshal Program to provide safety and security

services to public and nonpublic elementary and high schools and public and private universities.

The program would be administered by a newly created

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position of chief school marshal, appointed by the Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS). The chief school marshal would be responsible for administering the program; enforcing rules and executing duties as directed by the ODPS director; completing an annual firearms requalification program; appointing 16 newly created regional school marshals; and adopting additional qualifications and training requirements for the regional school marshals.

The duties of the regional school marshals would include:

- assisting school administrators



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in the development or review of emergency management plans and with any other security protocols for activities outside of school buildings during or after school hours;

- assisting in the development or review of security protocols of public and private universities;
- assisting in strategic communications among federal, state and local law enforcement in the event of an emergency situation at a school or university;
- offering tactical emergency medical services training to public and nonpublic schools;
- promoting the use of the Safer Ohio tip line;
- enforcing rules and executing additional duties prescribed by either the ODPS director or the chief school marshal;
- overseeing training operations and offering training opportunities for school employees, including observing emergency management tests, providing weapons manipulation instruction and other appropriate activities.

To qualify for the position of chief school marshal or regional school marshal, the bill would require an individual to either be a licensed peace officer or U.S. armed forces veteran who has been honorably discharged from the armed forces or has been transferred to reserve service with evidence of satisfactory service. Additionally, the individual must complete all qualification and training requirements prescribed

by the chief school marshal.

The bill also modifies an emergency management plan to include a plan for implementing mobile communications, mobile accountability and mobile reunification. Finally, the bill requires school administrators to conduct emergency management tests quarterly instead of annually, and to file a defined mission statement and after-action report with the school's regional school marshal.

SB 147 has yet to receive a hearing in the Senate Local Government, Public Safety and Veterans Affairs Committee.

HB 123 is referred to as the Safety and Violence Education Students (SAVE Students) Act. It would create new curriculum requirements; requirements for dealing with threats; training requirements for building staff; and requirements for student clubs.

Students in grades six through 12 would be required to annually complete one hour of instruction each in suicide awareness and prevention; safety training and violence prevention; and social inclusion, for a total of three hours of additional instruction.

The bill also would require the creation of a threat assessment team for each school building that serves grades six through 12. Team members must complete a threat assessment training program, which must identify behaviors, signs and threats that

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PUBLIC SCHOOLS WORK!

compiled by Scott Gerfen, assistant editor

Fairview Park City recognized nationally for innovation

Educators from **Fairview Park City** took center stage in the nation's capital, where the district was recognized for its transformation in creating a learning environment that enables all students to thrive.

More than 5,000 people attended the International Center for Leadership in Education's (ICLE) 27th annual Model Schools Conference, held June 23-26 in Washington, D.C.

"A lot of school districts from all

over the country came up to our team," Superintendent Dr. **Bill Wagner** told a local newspaper. "Several of them said they wanted to visit us and see the incredible things we are doing."

Fairview Park City was among eight districts honored at the event. The district submitted a detailed application last fall, demonstrating how it aligns with the Innovative District criteria, and a video, which can be viewed at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/77355>.

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"Each of these inspiring schools and districts persevered on a different path to rapid improvement, and each has a varied definition of success in their own context," ICLE Founder Dr. **Bill Dagget** said in a blog post about the winners.

Members of the Fairview Park City team also made presentations and brought back exciting ideas and concepts, Wagner said.

Source: www.cleveland.com

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may lead to violence; determine the seriousness of a threat; and develop intervention plans that protect victims and address the underlying problem or conflict that initiated the behavior. The bill would require the establishment of a threat assessment plan, which must be incorporated into existing emergency management plans.

The bill would require districts to use a 24-hour, 7-days-a-week anonymous reporting program for students and staff to report school safety crises to threat assessment teams and law enforcement. Safer Ohio, a joint venture of ODPS and the Ohio Department of Education (ODE),

offers a free tip line that could be used to satisfy this requirement.

Districts would be required to submit to ODE and ODPS the number and type of disciplinary actions taken as a result of reports received; the number and type of mental wellness referrals; and the race and gender of the students subject to the disciplinary actions and mental wellness referrals.

The bill also would require the creation of student-led violence prevention clubs for each building that serves grades six through 12. The club must implement and sustain training and awareness activities in suicide and violence prevention and social inclusion. Additionally, the club must foster

opportunities for student leadership development, be open to the entire student body and have at least one adult adviser. In lieu of creating a new club, the bill would permit existing clubs that are open to the entire student body and have an adult adviser to satisfy the club requirement, provided the club implements and sustains the required training and activities and fosters opportunities for student leadership development.

HB 123 was approved by the House Primary and Secondary Education Committee by a vote of 16-0 on June 19. It awaits a full vote by the House of Representatives.

July 2019

- 27 OSBA Board of Trustees meeting..... Columbus
- 29 Last day to submit certification for November income tax levy to Ohio Department of Taxation — RC 5748.02(A) (100 days prior to election).
- 31 Central Region Executive Committee meeting..... Columbus
- 31 Last day for board of education to adopt a plan to require students to access and complete online classroom lessons (“blizzard bags”) in order to make up hours for which it is necessary to close schools — RC 3313.482(A)(1); semiannual campaign finance reports must be filed by certain candidates (by 4 p.m.) detailing contributions and expenditures made through June 30, 2019 — RC 3517.10(A)(4).

August 2019

- 1 Last day to file statistical report with Ohio Department of Education — RC 3319.33; last day to submit November emergency, current operating expenses or conversion levy to county auditor for November general election — RC 5705.194, 5705.195, 5705.213, 5705.219(C) (95 days prior to election).
- 2 Attendance, Tuition and Custody Law Workshop..... Lewis Center
- 5 Southwest Region Executive Committee meeting..... Dayton

- 6 Special Election Day — RC 3501.01 (first Tuesday after the first Monday).
- 7 Northeast Region Executive Committee meeting..... Warren
- 7 Last day to file (by 4 p.m.) a nominating petition as a board of education candidate for the November general election — RC 3513.254, 3513.255; last day for school district to file resolution of necessity, resolution to proceed and auditor’s certification for bond levy with board of elections for November election — RC 133.18(D); last day for county auditor to certify school district bond levy terms for November election — RC 133.18(C); last day to submit continuing replacement, permanent improvement or operating levy for November election to board of elections — RC 5705.192, 5705.21, 5705.25; last day to certify resolution for school district income tax levy or renewal of conversion levy for November election to board of elections — RC 5748.02(C), 5705.219(G); last day to submit emergency levy for November election to board of elections — RC 5705.195.; last day to submit phased-in levy or current operating expenses levy for November election to board of elections — RC 5705.251(A)(90 days prior to election).
- 13 Reasonable Suspicion Training..... Columbus

- 15 Budget Analysis and Discussion (BAD) Seminar..... Lewis Center
- 18 Southeast Region Executive Committee meeting..... Logan
- 26 Last day to file (by 4 p.m.) as a write-in candidate for November general election — RC 3513.041 (72 days prior to the election).
- 28 Storytelling in a Digital Age: Cut through the noise to market your career center or school districtWebinar
- 28 Central Region Legislative Open HouseColumbus

September 2019

- 4 Northeast Region Board Candidate Workshop..... Independence
- 5 Southwest Region Board Candidate Workshop..... Wilmington
- 6 Collective Bargaining Workshop..... Columbus
- 11 Northwest Region Board Candidate Workshop..... Bowling Green
- 12 Southeast Region Board Candidate Workshop..... Zanesville
- 13 Diversity and Inclusion Workshop..... Columbus
- 14 Central Region Board Candidate Workshop..... Columbus
- 16 Board Candidate Webinar
- 18 OSBA Master of Transportation Administration Program: Payment in lieu of..... Columbus