

# BRIEF CASE

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## Waverly City's Manson is OSBA's 2011 president-elect nominee

The OSBA Nominating Committee selected **Sharon E. Manson, Waverly City and Pike County Career Technology Center**, as OSBA's 2011 president-elect nominee. If the Delegate Assembly elects her in November, she will become OSBA president in 2012, following her term as president-elect. The 23-year board member is the Southeast Region president and has served on the region's executive committee for 13 years. She has represented her region on the OSBA Board of Trustees and Executive Committee, and in other statewide leadership roles.

## OSBA member named to Educator Standards Board

**Kathy Goins**, a board member at **Valley Local (Scioto)**, has been appointed to represent OSBA on the Ohio Education Standards Board. Goins, who has served on the Valley Local school board for five years, is one of the standards board's 21 voting members, and the only one serving on an elected board of education.

## Ohio's longest-serving state superintendent dies at 80

**Franklin B. Walter**, who was Ohio's state schools superintendent for 14 years, died Sept. 16 at the age of 80. He served as state superintendent from 1977 to 1991 under Gov. **Jim Rhodes** and Gov. **Richard F. Celeste**. A strong supporter of OSBA, he is believed to be the only person to attend *all* of the OSBA Capital Conferences. Walter began his career as a teacher, and after retiring as state superintendent, served as a professor and lecturer at The Ohio State University.

## Celebrate great schools during American Education Week 2010

Nov. 13-19 has been designated American Education Week and this year's theme is "Great Public Schools: A Basic Right and Our Responsibility." The week is an outstanding time to spotlight the importance of providing every child in America with a quality public education, and the need for everyone to do his or her part in making public schools great. For activity suggestions and sample artwork, visit the National Education Association website at [www.nea.org/grants/19823.htm](http://www.nea.org/grants/19823.htm).

## Capital Conference materials are in the mail

Packets with badges, tickets, ribbons, delegate packages and the *Conference Guide* for the 2010 OSBA Capital Conference and Trade Show have been sent to district treasurers. If your district has not yet registered for the conference, contact **Ann Herritt** at (614) 540-4000; (800) 589-OSBA; or [aherritt@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:aherritt@ohioschoolboards.org). For conference details, visit <http://cc.ohioschoolboards.org>. The Capital Conference is Nov. 7-10 in Columbus.

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### Route workshop information to:

- ☐ Administrators
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## Public records training to be offered at Capital Conference

A certified public records training session will be held at the Capital Conference on Monday, Nov. 8, at 9 a.m. Each school board member or designee must complete three hours of approved public records training during the member's term of office. The training session, led by the state auditor's office, will fulfill the training requirements of the law. You must be registered for the conference to attend the training.

## Ohio students' SAT scores outperform national average

Ohio students again performed above the national average on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) college entrance and placement exams. Ohio students recorded an average verbal skills score of 537, compared to the national average of 498. In math skills, the state's students scored an average of 550, while the national average was 511,

and Ohio students' averaged a writing score of 518, compared to the national average of 488.

## Group offers free online sports concussion training

Nearly four million sports concussions occur annually in the United States. Long misunderstood

as "bellringers" that were "part of the game," researchers now know that concussions can be devastating if not properly managed. The Oregon Center for Applied Science offers free online training on how to protect players from concussions. The program is at [activecoach.orcasinc.com](http://activecoach.orcasinc.com).

## All-carrot vending machine installed in Mason school

Along with offering Coke and Gatorade, **Mason City's** vending machines now include a healthy option: carrots. An all-carrot vending machine recently was installed in Mason High School.

The vending machine is one of two in the nation to offer carrots. Bolthouse Farms, who markets the packaged baby carrots, is covering the utility expenses to run the machine, which will be in the school for two months.

"The students started buying carrots right away," said Assistant Principal **George Oates**. The school also involved its entrepreneur classes in the process. "They're competing against each other," Oates said. "There are three groups coming up with three ad campaigns to see who sells the most carrots."

Source: *The (Cincinnati) Enquirer*



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## This month in OSBA history

In October 2002, OSBA announced the winners of its first Media Honor Roll program. Nearly 80 reporters and media outlets were honored by the school districts they covered for their fair, accurate and balanced reporting on schools.

## OSBA online

• [www.ohioschoolboards.org](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org)

The OSBA *VendorBook*, a directory you can use all year to find goods and services for your schools, is available online. Simply visit [www.ohioschoolboards.org/osba-publications](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/osba-publications) to download the directory.



# BULLETIN BOARD

compiled by Melanie Price, administrative assistant of communication services

## OSBA executive searches

### Superintendent

#### District

① Bath Local (Allen)

#### Deadline

TBD

#### Contact

OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000

### Treasurer

#### District

① Madison Local (Lake)

#### Deadline

Oct. 26

#### Contact

OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000



## Other searches

#### Position

Director of human resources

#### District

Forest Hills Local (Hamilton)

#### Deadline

Oct. 15

#### Contact

**Gene Huzelman**, director of human resources, Forest Hills Local, (513) 231-3600, ext. 2959

## National searches

#### Position

Superintendent

#### District

Williamsburg, Va.

#### Deadline

Oct. 15

#### Contact

**Gina Patterson**, assistant executive director, Virginia School Boards Association, (434) 295-8722

Superintendent

Colfax, Ill.

Oct. 15

**Thomas F. Leahy**, consultant, executive searches, Illinois Association of School Boards, (217) 528-9688, ext. 1153

Superintendent

Collinsville, Ill.

Oct. 22

**Donna Johnson**, director, executive searches, Illinois Association of School Boards, (630) 629-3776, ext. 1233

## Board changes

**Brecksville-Broadview Heights City Board of Education** member **Terri Neff** announced her resignation effective Sept. 30. She is moving out of the district. ●●● **Highland Local (Medina)** appointed **Diane Thomas** to the board effective Sept. 20.

### Editor's note

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

She replaces **John Anthony CizMadia**, who resigned due to moving out of the state. ●●● **Montgomery County ESC** appointed **Daryl Michael Jr.** to its governing board effective Sept. 9. He replaces **Robert Bell**, who resigned for health reasons. Michael previously was a board member at **New Lebanon Local (Montgomery)**.

## **Administrative changes**

### **Superintendents**

**Columbiana County Career and Technical Center** Superintendent **Edna Anderson** announced her retirement effective June 30, 2011. The board appointed Director and Assistant Superintendent **Willard "Chuck" Adkins** as superintendent effective July 1, 2011. ●●● **Lakota Local (Butler)** Superintendent **William Michael Taylor** announced his resignation effective Jan. 31, 2011. ●●● **Perry Local (Lake)** Superintendent **Michael L. Sawyers** announced his resignation effective Sept. 17. He has taken an assistant superintendent position with the Ohio Department of Education. ●●● **Youngstown City** hired Dr. **Connie Hathorn** as a deputy superintendent through Dec. 31. He will become the district's superintendent effective Jan. 1. He replaces Dr. **Wendy Webb**, who is retiring effective Jan. 1, 2011. Hathorn previously was the executive director of student support at **Akron City**.

### **Treasurers**

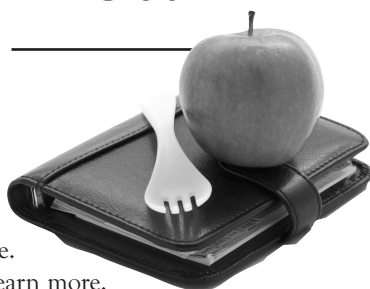
**Bridgeport EV** hired **Cheryl Pritts** as treasurer effective Oct. 4. She replaced **Amy Porter**, who took the treasurer position at **St. Clairsville-Richland City**. Pritts previously was the treasurer at **Noble Local (Noble)**. ●●● **Columbiana County Career and Technical Center** hired **Katherine Bosco** as treasurer effective Sept. 1. She replaces **Lisa Bruzzese**, who took the treasurer position at **Steubenville City**.

## **OSBA's Lunch & Learn** webinar

Learn about issues relevant to public education through OSBA's series of Lunch & Learn webinars. Brown bag it for the day and join the webinar in the convenience of your office or home.

This series will offer an informal way to learn more.

All you need is a telephone and computer to participate. The cost for each webinar is \$35. To register, visit [www.ohioschoolboards.org/event\\_listing](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/event_listing).



### **So, You Have a New Superintendent? Setting Everyone Up for Success Tuesday, Oct. 26 at noon**

Whether new to the position or new to the district, new superintendents face student achievement, accountability, fiscal and other significant challenges while facing the added challenge of building and sustaining a successful relationship with the school board — a relationship that will have a large impact on how they manage the district.

Boards of education are challenged by the uncertainty of new leadership and the fear that the new superintendent's learning curve will derail the system and stop momentum toward excellence.

**Kathy LaSota**, OSBA deputy director of school board services, will take on both perspectives as she details an on-boarding plan that will set everyone up for success.

## **Sympathies**

Former **Barnesville EV** Board of Education member **Lodge L. Hanlon** died Sept. 16. He was 79. ●●● Former **Bloom-Vernon Local (Scioto)** Board of Education member **David C. Lemon Sr.** died Sept. 21. He was 76. ●●● Former **Ironton City** Board of Education member **Bobby Joe "Bob" Vaghn** died Sept. 13. He was 54. ●●● Former **Lakota Local (Butler)** Board of Education member **Robert C. Wasson** died Sept. 18. He was 85. ●●● Former **Madison Local (Butler)** Board of Education member **Dr. E.C. Peck** died Sept. 8. He was 94. ●●● Former **Painesville Township Local (Lake)** Board of Education member **Louis M. "Lou" Andersen** died Sept. 1. He was 85. ●●● Former **Plain Local (Stark)** Superintendent **Leland McFarren** died Sept. 24. He was 86. ●●● Former **Sycamore Village Schools (Wyandot)** Board of Education member **Clarence L. Walton** died Sept. 9. He was 91. ●●● Former **Wellsville Local (Columbiana)** Superintendent **Donald A. Lowe** died Sept. 18. He was 83.



# Transportation Roundtable

*you decide the topic*

**Date and location:**

Wednesday, Oct. 20  
OSBA office, Columbus

**Cost:**

\$35, includes lunch

**Time:**

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

In this roundtable discussion, any attendee can offer a question or issue to be discussed by the entire group for whatever length of time is needed.

This is an opportunity for transportation supervisors and other school administrators to sit down and openly discuss various issues, as well as interact with individuals from other school districts to solve similar problems. Pete Japikse, associate director of the Ohio Department of Education's Office of Pupil Transportation, will be on hand to answer questions.



# SchoolComp Safety Seminar

**Friday, Dec. 3**

**Cost: \$120**

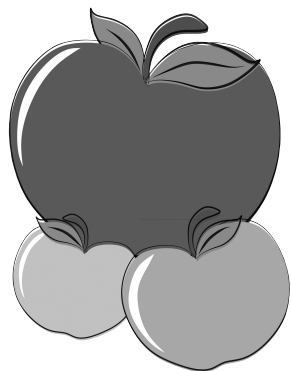
**OSBA office, Columbus 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

Earlier this year, the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC) announced a new 10-step safety program that all employers will have to shift to. This seminar will highlight the 10 steps and discuss what changes school districts can expect and how to best comply with the new rules. A BWC representative will be on hand to answer questions and discuss school-specific challenges that he or she is seeing.

Another aspect of school safety involves the Public Employers Risk Reduction Program (PERRP) and how it applies to schools. In the past year, several schools underwent inspection programs by PERRP that focused on confined spaces, so that topic will be addressed as well. Finally, PublicSchoolWORKS, which offers a comprehensive, fully automated risk management system for schools, will discuss its services and how it integrates with the new 10-step model. Please join us for this important and informational seminar.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. To register, call OSBA at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA. You also can register online at [www.ohioschoolboards.org](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org).

## ***Management Development Series #4:***



# **Implementing Healthy Choices for healthy children (SB) 210 — It may not be as bad as you think!**

***Tuesday, Dec. 7  
OSBA office, Columbus***

***10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Cost is \$75***

Senate Bill (SB) 210 is causing quite a stir in school districts around the state. Body mass index (BMI) screenings, nutrition consults and guidelines, physical activity reporting and report card information are all pieces of this giant puzzle. Fortunately, there are school districts that are already doing these things and experts in the educational community that can help your district.

Attend this workshop to learn how some school districts in northeast Ohio have navigated the rocky waters of BMI screenings with the help of the Cleveland Clinic. Learn from the Ohio Department of Education what is actually expected and required from school districts. Hear from the School Nutrition Association how they are assisting school districts in implementing the nutritional guidelines of the bill.

Registration will begin at 9:45 a.m. The registration fee will include materials, lunch and refreshments. Space is limited, so register today!

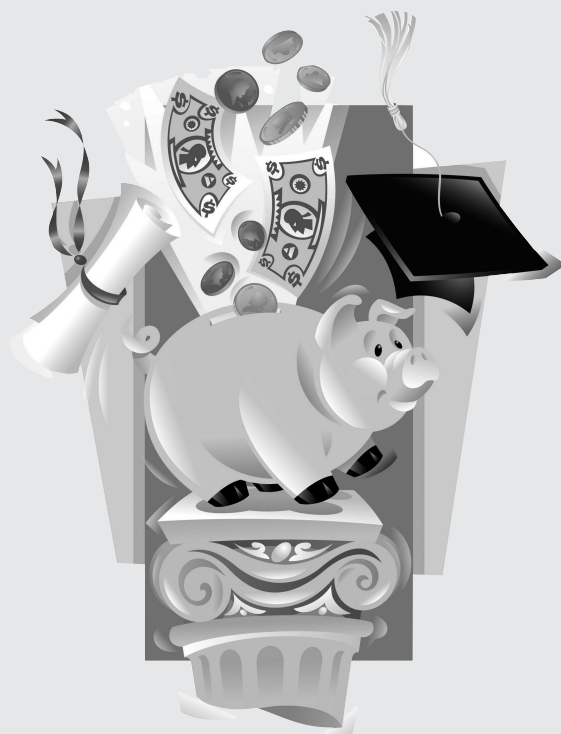
## **School Finance for Treasurers Seminar**

**Friday, Dec. 10  
Quest Conference Center  
Columbus**

Politics, school funding and education issues continue to be at the forefront in Columbus. Get the latest information on the upcoming state biennial budget and what's going on with the lame duck session. The annual School Finance Seminar is your opportunity to get answers and information from the experts!

**Find out what's at stake for Ohio's schools —** we're talking politics, legislation and much more! Be "in the know" with the School Finance for Treasurers Seminar. Cost is \$120, which includes materials, lunch and refreshments.

To register, contact Melanie Price, OSBA administrative assistant for communication services, at (614) 540-4000; (800) 589-OSBA; or [mprice@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:mprice@ohioschoolboards.org). Register online at **[www.ohioschoolboards.org](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org)**.



# OSBA Capital Conference



## OSBA Black Caucus dinner

Sunday, Nov. 7

6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

Greater Columbus Convention Center

Room C 123–125

### *Celebrating excellence in public schools*

Join us for an evening of learning and fellowship at the annual Capital Conference OSBA Black Caucus dinner. All conference attendees are invited.

The keynote speaker is U.S. Rep. **Marcia L. Fudge** (D-Ohio 11th Congressional District). She will speak on “Celebrating excellence in public schools.”

Fudge took office on Nov. 19, 2008. She serves on the House Education and Labor Committee, working to elevate Cleveland’s struggling public schools to academic excellence. She also serves on the committee’s Higher Education, Lifelong Learning and Competitiveness Subcommittee; the Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions Subcommittee; and the Science and Technology Committee.

Before being elected to Congress, Fudge was the chief of staff for the late Congresswoman Stephanie Tubbs Jones. She also served as the mayor of Warrensville Heights.

The OSBA Black Caucus’ mission is to promote and provide education to its members and interested parties

on the unique challenges and opportunities faced by African-American school board members throughout Ohio.

The caucus also works to promote, support and build public awareness of issues relating to racial diversity in schools and equity in education. In

addition, it supports initiatives to enhance the academic achievement of African-American students, including the OSBA Black Caucus Scholarship Fund.

The cost of the dinner is \$60; all OSBA members are welcome. The reservation deadline is Oct. 29. To register for the dinner, notify your district superintendent or treasurer, or indicate your request on the conference registration form. Tickets will not be sold at the door; pre-registration is required. Please indicate any special accommodations needed.



*U.S. Rep. Marcia L. Fudge*

*Net proceeds benefit the OSBA Black Caucus Scholarship Fund*



# WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

## Transportation Roundtable

☐ Oct. 20, \$35

## SchoolComp Safety Seminar

☐ Dec. 3, \$120

## School Finance for Treasurers Seminar

☐ Dec. 10, \$120

## MDS #4: Senate Bill 210

☐ Dec. 7, \$75

### OSBA Workshop Registration Form

Workshop name \_\_\_\_\_ Workshop date \_\_\_\_\_  
Attendee name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
District/firm \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ or P.O.# \_\_\_\_\_ to cover \_\_\_\_\_ registration(s). Make checks payable to OSBA and mail to 8050 N. High St., Suite 100, Columbus, OH 43235-6481; fax to (614) 540-4100; or e-mail Laurie Miller at [Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org). Include a purchase order number with fax or e-mail.



\_\_\_\_\_ *Please check here if you require special accommodations. Contact us or attach a written description of needs.*

**Please photocopy this form for each person**

## OSBA workshop registration procedures

OSBA sends e-mail confirmation of registration if an e-mail address is provided. Registration is open to all boards and staff of OSBA members. "Walk-in" registrations are welcome on a space-available basis only. Please call OSBA to check the status of registration before you arrive at the workshop. To register, you must have a purchase order number or a check payable to OSBA and a completed registration form. You may register with a purchase order number by phone, fax, e-mail or Web page 24 hours a day.

### Award of Achievement/LPDC

Most workshops entitle members to Award of Achievement credits. Local Professional Development Committee certificates of attendance will be issued to all workshop attendees.



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or fax



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(614) 540-4100.

E-mail registrations can be  
sent to Laurie Miller at  
[Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org).  
Please include a purchase  
order number.

You may register on our Web page at  
**[www.ohioschoolboards.org](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org)**. Events are listed at  
the bottom of the page.

### Cancellation and refund policy

- Cancellations received by OSBA at least four workdays before the date of the workshop will receive a full refund or no charge to the district.
- Cancellations received less than four workdays before the date of the workshop will have one-third of the fee charged to the district.
- No-shows and cancellations the day of the workshop will be charged the full registration amount.





# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

by Angela Penquite, communication design manager

## Project Ignition promotes teen driver safety

Sponsored by State Farm Insurance and coordinated by the National Youth Leadership Council, Project Ignition is calling for students and their teachers to create a service-learning project based on teen driver safety. With the support of teachers, advisors or their school, students may propose innovative public awareness projects that involve television, film, radio, the Internet, direct mail, performance art or a community event. Schools already implementing service learning in their curricula are encouraged to participate.

**Maximum awards:** \$2,000

**Eligibility:** students in grades nine-12

**Deadline:** Nov. 15

**Contact:** [www.sfprojectignition.com](http://www.sfprojectignition.com)

## Rewarding teachers who inspire students to write

One teacher in each of the College Board's six regions will receive \$3,000 for the innovative methods they use to develop their students' writing skills. The grants will support programs that motivate students to strengthen their writing skills.

**Maximum awards:** \$3,000

**Eligibility:** teachers in grades six-12

**Deadline:** Nov. 19

**Contact:** [professionals.collegeboard.com/k-12/awards/costas](http://professionals.collegeboard.com/k-12/awards/costas)

## Recognizing outstanding aerospace teachers

Sponsored by Sally Ride Science and The Challenger Center for Space Science Education, the National Science Teachers Association Wendell G. Mohling Outstanding Aerospace Educator Award recognizes excellence in the field of aerospace education.

**Maximum awards:** \$3,000

**Eligibility:** K-12 teachers with at least three years teaching experience

**Deadline:** Nov. 30

**Contact:** [www.nsta.org/about/awards.aspx#aerospace](http://www.nsta.org/about/awards.aspx#aerospace)

## Funds for early science education

Zula International and the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) are sponsoring the Early Science Educator Awards, which will recognize and honor two full-time pre-K-two teachers who successfully use innovative inquiry-based science to enhance science teaching and learning in their classroom.

**Maximum awards:** \$1,000

**Eligibility:** pre-K-two teachers who are members of NSTA

**Deadline:** Nov. 30

**Contact:** [www.nsta.org/about/awards.aspx#zula](http://www.nsta.org/about/awards.aspx#zula)

## Promoting innovative uses of technology

The Vernier Technology Awards reward the innovative use of data collection technology using a computer, graphing calculator or other handheld device in the science classroom. Awards will be presented for elementary, middle and high school levels.

**Maximum awards:** \$1,000

**Eligibility:** K-12 science teachers

**Deadline:** Nov. 30

**Contact:** [www.vernier.com/grants/nsta.html](http://www.vernier.com/grants/nsta.html)

## Team Rocketry Challenge

The Aerospace Industries Association, in partnership with NASA and other sponsors, is holding the annual Team America Rocketry Challenge. The contest is an opportunity for students to prove their knowledge of aerospace science. This year's challenge is to design, build and fly a model rocket that reaches exactly 825 feet, stays aloft for between 40 and 45 seconds, and returns the raw egg payload uncracked. The challenge is limited to the first 750 teams who submit their application by Nov. 30.

**Maximum awards:** \$60,000 in cash and savings bonds

**Eligibility:** students in grades seven-12

**Deadline:** Nov. 30

**Contact:** [www.rocketcontest.org/index.cfm](http://www.rocketcontest.org/index.cfm)



## LEGAL BRIEFS

by Jessica L. Spears, staff attorney

### What you need to know about ethics law and accepting gifts

With the OSBA Capital Conference right around the corner, now is the perfect time to remind school board members, district administrators and vendors of the ethics laws on accepting gifts, meals, entertainment or other things of value. This important information is contained in Ohio Ethics Commission (OEC) Information Sheet 7 and OEC

Advisory Opinion 2002-02, which are summarized below.

Ohio's ethics laws generally prohibit public officials and employees from misusing their official positions for their own personal benefit or the benefit of their family members or business associates. The general rule regarding *accepting gifts* is that a public official cannot solicit, accept

influence upon an official in the performance of his or her duties. Some "things of value" could be found to have an improper and/or substantial influence on a public official due to their *source* or *nature*. For example, OEC determined that small gifts — such as a book, meal at a family restaurant, promotional item, inexpensive entertainment activity and other things of nominal value — even if provided by an improper source, will not have a substantial influence on a public official. Accordingly, a board member is not prohibited from accepting these kinds of items. Keep in mind, however, a public official could be influenced in the performance of his or her duties by accepting multiple items of minimal value from the same source if the value of these items, added together, is substantial.

Can public officials and employees accept invitations to conference receptions? Yes, so long as certain parameters are met. In OEC Advisory Opinion 2002-02, OEC opined that a public official or employee may attend a conference meal, reception or open house that is paid for by a private party, as long as it is of an ordinary and routine character; is at an educational or informational event;

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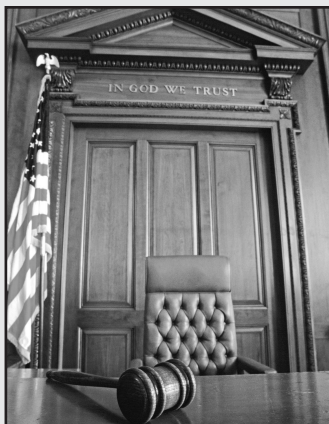
#### Are you involved in litigation that may have issues of statewide significance?

*The OSBA Legal Assistance Fund (LAF) is available to provide financial or legal*

*assistance in matters of statewide importance to local school districts.*

*LAF offers direct financial assistance or other support in the form of amicus curiae briefs.*

*Please call Susan Czeh, OSBA administrative assistant of legal services, at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA for information about your member status or to obtain an application if you have a pending matter that may meet the above description. Visit [www.ohioschoolboards.org/legal-assistance-fund](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/legal-assistance-fund) for more information.*



or use the authority of his or her public position to secure anything of value — including a gift, meal or entertainment — that could have a "substantial" and "improper" influence upon him or her in the performance of his or her duties.

The facts and circumstances of each situation determine whether a gift, meal, entertainment and other thing of value could have a "substantial" and "improper"



## PUBLIC SCHOOLS WORK!

compiled by Katie Ramsey, communication intern

### Twelve Ohio public schools earn Blue Ribbon Schools honors

The U.S. Department of Education named 12 Ohio public schools as 2010 National Blue Ribbon Schools.

"Being named a Blue Ribbon School is a testament to the focused work and outstanding achievements occurring each day in these schools," said **Deborah S. Delisle**, Ohio's superintendent of public instruction.

An awards ceremony will be held Nov. 15-16 in Washington, D.C., to honor all 304 Blue Ribbon Schools in the nation.

The Ohio schools and their districts are:

- Bay High School, **Bay Village City**;
- Chagrin Falls Middle School, **Chagrin Falls EV**;
- Clermont Northeastern Elementary School, **Clermont-Northeastern Local (Clermont)**;
- Dublin Jerome High School, **Dublin City**;
- Fredericktown Elementary School, **Fredericktown Local (Knox)**;
- Poland Seminary High School, **Poland Local (Mahoning)**;

- Robert A. Taft Information Technology High School, **Cincinnati City**;
- Royal View Elementary School, **North Royalton City**;
- Schiel Primary School Arts Enrichment Elementary School, **Cincinnati City**;
- Solon Middle School, **Solon City**;
- Western Elementary School, **Lexington Local (Richland)**;
- Whittier Elementary School, **Massillon City**.

Source: ODE

#### *Legal Briefs, continued from page 6*

and is open to all public officials and employees attending the event. However, a board member or district employee must pay for dinners or entertainment events that occur separately from the conference venue.

Remember, these prohibitions not only apply to the acceptance of gifts by public officials and employees, but also to the gifts given by vendors. Vendors are not permitted to offer gifts that could have a substantial or improper influence upon public officials and/or employees.

Visit OEC's website at [www.ethics.ohio.gov/ethicshome.html](http://www.ethics.ohio.gov/ethicshome.html) for copies of OEC Information Sheet 7 and Advisory

Opinion 2002-02. If you have questions regarding the implications of the Ohio Ethics Law, please contact your school

district's board counsel, OEC at (614) 466-7090 or OSBA's legal services division at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA.

*You really can make a difference!  
... Because kids count!*



Children are our future and there is no greater investment than a child's education. By joining OSBA's political action committee, *Kids PAC*, you are helping to ensure all children in Ohio receive the quality education they deserve!

To learn more about *Kids PAC*, contact OSBA at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA.

## October 2010

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membership — RC 3317.03; last day for  
certification of licensed employees to State  
Board of Education — RC 3317.061.*
- 20 OSBA Transportation  
Roundtable .....Columbus
- 26 So, You Have a New Superintendent?  
Setting Everyone Up for Success webinar

## November 2010

- 1 *Last day to submit certification for February  
income tax levy to Ohio Department of  
Taxation — RC 5748.02(A) (100 days prior  
to the election).*
- 2 *General Election Day — RC 3501.01 (first  
Tuesday after the first Monday).*
- 5 *Last day to submit February emergency or  
current operating expenses levy to county  
auditor for February election — RC  
5705.194, 5705.213 (95 days before election).*

- 7-10 OSBA Capital Conference & Trade  
Show .....Columbus
- 7 OSBA Northwest Region Executive  
Committee Meeting .....Columbus
- 7 OSBA Southeast Region Executive  
Committee Meeting .....Columbus
- 8 OSBA Central Region Executive  
Committee Meeting .....Columbus
- 10 *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 February election —  
RC 133.18(D); ; last day for county auditor  
to certify school district bond levy terms for  
February election — RC 133.18(C); last day  
to submit continuing replacement,  
permanent improvement or operating levy for  
February election to board of elections — RC  
5705.192, 5705.21, 5705.25; last day to  
certify resolution for school district income  
tax levy for February election to board of  
elections — RC 5748.02(C); last day to  
submit emergency levy for February election  
to board of elections — RC 5705.195; last  
day to submit phased-in levy or current  
operating expenses levy for February election  
to board of elections — RC 5705.251(A) (90  
days prior to the election).*

## December 2010

- 1 OSBA Northeast Region Executive  
Committee Meeting .....Ravenna
- 3 OSBA Winter Safety  
Workshop .....Columbus
- 4 OSBA Executive Committee  
Meeting.....Columbus
- 7 OSBA Southwest Region Executive  
Committee Meeting .....(TBD)
- 7 OSBA Management Development Series  
#4: Senate Bill 210.....Columbus
- 10 OSBA School Finance  
Seminar.....Columbus
- 31 *Last day for treasurer to canvass the board to  
establish a date of the organizational meeting  
— RC 3313.14.*

## January 2011

- 10 *Last day for voter registration for February  
election — RC 3503.01, 3503.19(A) (30 days  
prior to the election).*
- 15 *Deadline for boards of education of city,  
exempted village, vocational and local school  
districts to meet and organize — RC  
3313.14.*