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Capital Conference Brochure, registration packets sent to districts

OSBA has shipped the 2017 Capital Conference and Trade Show Brochure and conference registration materials to all member districts. The brochure was sent to all board members, superintendents, treasurers, Ohio Council of School Board Attorneys members and OSBA sustaining members. It contains information on speakers, learning sessions, special events, workshops, lodging, registration and more. Registration materials were sent to superintendents and treasurers, so board members should contact their treasurer to register for the conference and special events. The Capital Conference is Nov. 12-14 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center. For details, visit <http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org>.

OSBA launching 16th annual Media Honor Roll program

It's vital for school districts to establish positive relationships with the media to encourage fair reporting of the news — both good and bad. To further that effort, OSBA's Media Honor Roll program gives districts an opportunity to recognize journalists for providing fair, accurate coverage of their schools. Details on the 2017 OSBA Media Honor Roll will soon be emailed to all superintendents, treasurers and communication directors. For more information and to make your selections, visit www.ohioschoolboards.org/media-honorroll. The selection deadline is Sept. 15.

National report examines the greatest needs in rural education

Over 8.9 million students attend rural schools — more than the enrollments of New York City, Los Angeles, Chicago and the next 75 largest school districts combined. A new report from Rural School and Community Trust provides a priority ranking of the 50 states, showing the greatest needs in rural education. The report, *Why Rural Matters*, also ranks the states and includes state-by-state data on demographics, poverty, student achievement, state resources, and college and career readiness. The full report is posted at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/48315>.

Report: Only 1 in 5 K-12 students in U.S. studying a foreign language

A recent study showed that only about 20% of the nation's K-12 students are studying a language other than English. In Ohio, that figure is 18%. Sponsored by the Language Flagship at the Defense Language and National Security Education Office, the study analyzes data on foreign language enrollment and the number of programs by state and explores what languages are taught where. The National K-12 Foreign Language Enrollment Survey Report concludes that if the United States remains a monolingual society, it will pose threats to the nation's social, economic and national security. The report is posted at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/62200>.

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- ☐ Administrators
- ☐ EMIS coordinators
- ☐ School board candidates

Ohio improves in national rankings for child well-being

Ohio is making gains in providing children with the resources and support they need to thrive, according to the 2017 Kids Count Data Book released last month by the Annie E. Casey Foundation. The state ranks 24th in overall child well-being, up from 26th in 2016. In particular, the economic well-being of Ohio's children has improved. The percentage of children living below the federal poverty line has decreased, fewer children live in families where no parent has full-time year-round work and fewer children are in households that spend more than 30% of their income on housing. Despite this progress, concerns remain, the Children's Defense Fund-Ohio said in a news release. More than half a million children still struggle with poverty, with 15% — almost 400,000 kids — living in high-

Grant designed to help students retain reading skills

Research has shown that students often regress during the summer because many don't read or do anything educational for nearly three months. This phenomenon is known as summer slide.

A new reading program funded by **Madison-Champaign ESC** aims to help students retain what they learned during the previous school year.

The program, Kids Read Now, is mailing free books to about 1,400 kindergarten through third-grade students in **Urbana City, Graham Local (Champaign), Madison-Plains Local (Madison) and Triad Local (Champaign)** schools.

The ESC received a \$132,000 grant from the Greater Horizon Fund of Kansas City to provide the books.

Source: Springfield News-Sun

poverty areas. The 2017 Kids Count Data Book is available at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/40885>.

Booths still available in OSBA Student Achievement Fair

Nominations are still being accepted for the Student

Achievement Fair at the OSBA Capital Conference. But space is limited, so act soon. For details, visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/52500>.

Petition deadline for school board hopefuls is Aug. 9

Those seeking a school board seat are reminded that the deadline to file nominating petitions with a local board of elections is 4 p.m., Aug. 9. OSBA will host several board candidate workshops for those running for a seat. Visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/23842> for details.

OSBA online

● www.ohioschoolboards.org

The OSBA Division of Legal Services has posted upcoming school levy deadlines at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/89785>. The division also has posted links to two updated fact sheets on that page: Understanding school levies and School levy limitations.



Briefcase

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BULLETIN BOARD

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OSBA executive searches

Superintendent

District

❶ Ohio School for the Deaf

Deadline

TBD

Contact

OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000



Other searches

Position

Interim superintendent

District

Xenia Community City

Deadline

July 28

Contact

Pam Callahan, board president,
pcallahan@xenia.k12.oh.us

Treasurer

Pickaway County ESC

Aug. 7

Ty Ankrom, superintendent, Pickaway
County ESC, ty.ankrom@pickawayesc.org

Board changes

Forest Hills Local (Hamilton) appointed **Tracy Huebner** to the board effective July 6. She replaced **Tony Hemmelgarn**, who resigned. ●●● Massillon City board member **Mary F. Strukel** announced her resignation effective June 28.

Administrative changes

Superintendents

Bay Village City Superintendent **Clinton Keener** announced his retirement effective August 2018. ●●● Lucas Local (Richland) Superintendent **Dan Freund** announced his resignation effective June 23. He has taken a position at **Highland Local (Morrow)**. ●●● Pickerington Local (Fairfield) hired **Dr. Chris M. Briggs** as superintendent effective immediately. He replaced **Dr. Valerie Browning-Thompson**, who retired. Briggs previously was the superintendent at **Northridge Local (Licking)**. ●●● Ridgemont Local (Hardin) Superintendent **Emmy Beeson** announced her resignation. She has taken the superintendent position at **Tolles Career & Technical Center** effective Aug. 1. She will replace **Kim Wilson**, who retired. ●●● Ripley-Union-Lewis-Huntington Local (Brown) hired **James L. Wilkins II** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace **Dr. Linda Naylor**, who is retiring. Wilkins currently is the **Manchester Local (Adams)** high school principal.

Editor's note

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

●●● **Struthers City** hired Interim Superintendent **Peter J. Pirone Jr.** as superintendent effective immediately. ●●● **Sylvania City** hired Interim Superintendent Dr. **Adam Fineske** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. ●●● **Van Wert City** hired **Staci Kaufman** as interim superintendent effective Aug. 1. She will replace **Kenneth D. Amstutz**, who took the superintendent position at **Paulding EV**. Kaufman is currently superintendent at **Vantage Career Center**. ●●● **West Muskingum Local (Muskingum)** hired **Chad Shawger** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace Dr. **William R. Harbron**, who took a superintendent position out of state. Shawger currently is **Tri-Valley Local (Muskingum)** high school principal. ●●● **Woodmore Local (Sandusky)** hired **Tim Rettig** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace Interim Superintendent **Kevin Ball**. Rettig currently is the high school principal at **North Central Local (Williams)**. ●●● **Youngstown City** hired **Joseph S. Meranto** as interim superintendent effective July 1. He replaced **Stephen A. Stohla**, who retired. Meranto previously was executive director at **Choffin Career & Technical Center**. ●●● **Perry Local (Stark)** hired **Nathan Stutz** as assistant superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace **Tom Ryan**, who is retiring. Stutz currently is **Dalton Local (Wayne)** high school principal.

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OSBA Board Candidate Workshops

Are you retiring from board service? Do you anticipate an opening on your board of education? If so, OSBA encourages you and others on your board to consider community members who have the potential to be great board members. Please invite and encourage them — and others — to attend one of five Board Candidate Workshops to be held in August and September.

These five sessions, conducted by OSBA experts, 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 being a board member. The cost to attend is \$95.

The dates and locations are:

Aug. 30 — NOMU, Rootstown

Sept. 7 — Hilton Garden Inn Dayton South, Miamisburg

Sept. 11 — Hilton Garden Inn, Findlay

Sept. 12 — Ohio University Inn, Athens

Sept. 16 — OSBA office, Columbus

Directions to each location are on the OSBA website at www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops. All sessions (except Sept. 16) run from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., with registration and buffet beginning at 5:30 p.m. The Sept. 16 session runs from 9 a.m. to noon (registration begins at 8:30 a.m.).

For those unable to attend a workshop, a Board Candidate Webinar will be held Sept. 21 from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. This webinar can be purchased after Sept. 30 to view at your convenience. The webinar covers board roles and responsibilities and legal and campaign finance issues. The cost of the webinar is \$50 (price includes sales tax).

To register for these events, contact **Laurie Miller**, OSBA senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org.



Attendance, Tuition and Custody Law Workshop

Friday, Aug. 4

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center, Lewis Center

Cost: \$165, includes registration, continental breakfast, lunch and materials.

The law addressing attendance and tuition matters is complex and changes frequently. How your district handles these matters affects your district's bottom line. Learn the latest legal developments at this information-packed seminar.

Agenda

8:30 a.m. Registration and continental breakfast

8:50 a.m. Welcome

9 a.m. Truancy and withdrawal

House Bill 410 changed the landscape for school districts when dealing with student truancy and withdrawal. Learn about recent changes and how districts can comply with new requirements.

Susan E. Geary, Esq., Bricker & Eckler LLP

10 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. The view from the bench: Understanding court orders

Join two experienced domestic relations magistrates as they discuss key issues school districts need to be aware of regarding custody court orders. Bring your questions.

Rosalind C. Florez, magistrate, Hamilton County Court of Common Pleas, Domestic Relations Division; and Stephanie Gibson, magistrate, Franklin County Court of Common Pleas, Domestic Relations Division, Juvenile Custody

11:30 p.m. Lunch

12:30 p.m. Hypothetical custody, enrollment and tuition scenarios

You submitted your toughest questions and our panel of experts has the answers. In this session, a school law attorney and three seasoned Education Management Information System (EMIS) professionals will present hypothetical situations based on presubmitted attendee questions and discuss the most appropriate resolutions. Be prepared to take notes.

Moderator: Julie C. Martin, Esq., Scott Scriven LLP

Panelists: Janie Gildersleeve, truant officer/home school coordinator, Ashtabula County ESC; Larry Grooms, area coordinator, Ohio Department of Education; and Tammy Hrosch, EMIS manager, META Solutions

2 p.m. Break

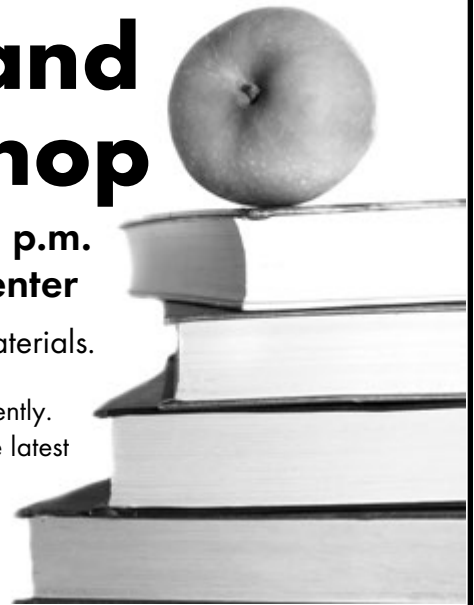
2:15 p.m. Nontraditional students: Meeting your legal obligations

The Every Student Succeeds Act, McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act and Ohio law contain multiple requirements for school districts on educating nontraditional students, including adults, emancipated minors, homeless students and those in foster care. Review these requirements and their effect on vulnerable student populations.

Hollie F. Reedy, Esq., Ennis Britton Co. LPA

3 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.





Budget Analysis and Discussion Seminar

Monday, Aug. 14 • Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center, Lewis Center
9 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. • Registration begins at 8:15 a.m. • Cost is \$205

Attend the Budget Analysis and Discussion (BAD) Seminar for the most in-depth analysis of the 2018-19 state budget. This comprehensive seminar will provide insights on the budget process and final version of the legislation.

8:15 a.m.	Registration	11 a.m.	The latest on the latest — school funding formula and TPP issues and concerns <i>Dr. Howard Fleeter</i>
8:55 a.m.	Welcome and overview <i>Damon Asbury, director of legislative services, OSBA</i>		
9 a.m.	A legislative perspective <i>Rep. Ryan Smith, House Finance Committee chair, Ohio House of Representatives; and Sen. Scott Oelslager (invited), Senate Finance Committee chair, Ohio Senate</i>	11:45 a.m.	Lunch
		1 p.m.	ODE directives/implementations <i>Aaron Rausch, director of the Office of Budget and School Funding Foundation Program, Ohio Department of Education (ODE)</i>
10 a.m.	Overview of state resources and economic outlook <i>Dr. Howard Fleeter, consultant, Ohio Education Policy Institute</i>	2 p.m.	Policy issues in HB 49 and other legislative proposals <i>OSBA, Buckeye Association of School Administrators and Ohio Association of School Business Officials lobbyists</i>
10:45 a.m.	Break		
		3:15 p.m.	Wrap up

This workshop is \$205 per person for OSBA, OASBO and BASA member school district representatives. The fee covers workshop registration, materials, lunch and refreshments. Visit www.ohioschoolboards.org/bad-workshop for more information, directions and to register.



Central Region Fall Conference

Wednesday, Sept. 27

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

5 p.m. Networking

5:50 p.m. Welcome and introductions

Lee Schreiner, Central Region president; board member, South-Western City

Presentation of 2018 Central Region Executive Committee slate of nominations

6 p.m. Legislative update

Jennifer Hogue, lobbyist, OSBA

6:15 p.m. Dinner

Entertainment — *student performance*

7 p.m. Program

OSBA update

Denise Baba, OSBA president; board member, Streetsboro City

OSBA comments

Richard Lewis, executive director, OSBA

Keynote speaker

Recognitions

● 2017 Outstanding Teachers of the Central Region

● Friends of Public Education

● Exemplary school employees

● Champion of Public Education

● Outstanding board members

● Recognition of board members celebrating service milestones of 30, 35 and 40 years

8:30 p.m. 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 a meeting such as this.

Award of Achievement

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

Reservation

The cost to attend is \$40 per person or \$320 per table (seats up to eight) for OSBA members, guests and spouses. This covers the cost of the meal.

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

Please make checks payable to OSBA Central Region and mail to Kim Miller-Smith, regional manager, 8050 N. High St., Columbus, OH 43235. If you have questions or need to cancel your reservation, email kmillersmith@ohioschoolboards.org or call (614) 832-3880 or (614) 635-1926. **The deadline to RSVP is Monday, Sept. 18.** 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.

District/county _____

Name, title _____

Name, title _____

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Name, title _____

Name, title _____

Name, title _____

Name, title _____

_____ Check here if you require special accommodations, including food allergies or special dietary needs such as a gluten-free meal. Attach a written description of needs.

Please enter an email address for confirmation of your reservation: _____

Please complete this form and mail to Kim Miller-Smith OR email the following information to kmillersmith@ohioschoolboards.org: District/county; number of individuals attending; names and titles of each individual attending; and special accommodations.

Northeast Region Fall Conference

Wednesday, Oct. 4

The Galaxy Restaurant and Banquet Center

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

5 p.m. Networking

6 p.m. Welcome and introductions

Terry Groden, Northeast Region president; board member, North Olmsted City

Pledge of Allegiance

Election of 2018 officers

6:15 p.m. Dinner

7:15 p.m. Program

- OSBA update
Denise Baba, OSBA president; board member, Streetsboro City
- OSBA comments
Richard Lewis, executive director, OSBA
- OSBA legislative update
OSBA legislative staff

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

- Recognition of Lester C. Marrison Education Scholarship recipient

- Recognition of Northeast Region Friend of Public Education

- Recognition of Northeast Region superintendent, treasurer, administrator, volunteer and career center program of the year

- Recognition of outstanding Northeast Region board members

- Recognition of Northeast Region most outstanding board of education

- Recognition of 2017 Northeast Region Schools of Promise, Blue Ribbon and high-performing, high-progress schools

- Recognition of 2017 Northeast Region A Schools

- Recognition of Student Achievement Fair participants

Award of Achievement

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Authority for reimbursement

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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/nefall2017> or 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. 29. Please include payment or a purchase order number with reservation. Individuals who cancel by Friday, Sept. 29 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 Conferences

The Great Kindness Challenge

Thursday, Oct. 5 — Penta Career Center
9301 Buck Road, Perrysburg, 43551
(419) 666-1120



5:30 p.m. Networking

5:50 p.m. Welcome and introductions

Robert McPherson, Northwest Region president; board member, Bath Local (Allen); and Ron Matter, superintendent, Penta Career Center

Opening ceremony: Springfield Local's (Lucas) Springfield High School JROTC color guard, retired U.S. Army Lt. Col. Christopher V. Fournier, senior instructor

OSBA welcome

Denise Baba, OSBA president; board member, Streetsboro City

Presentation of Northwest Region slate of candidates

6 p.m. Dinner

Penta Career Center Culinary Arts Program, Janea Makowski, Jim Rhegness and Sarah Sadlier, instructors

OSBA legislative update

Damon Asbury, director of legislative services, OSBA

Entertainment: Springfield Local High School Choir, directed by Nicole Mohr

Keynote speaker: Inspiring the voices of school caregivers

Diana Patton, author of "Inspiration in My Shoes"

OSBA update

Richard Lewis, executive director, OSBA

Awards and recognitions

- Outstanding Board Member recognition
- Recognition of veteran board members
- Ohio Department of Education 2016 Momentum Awards
- Northwest Region Excellence in Community Service Award
- The Great Kindness Challenge school video presentations
- Northwest Region Humanitarian Award
- Who's Who Excellence Award for Outstanding Leadership
- Introduction of the Bonnie Eddy Educational Supply and Book Scholarship

8:30 p.m. Announcements and adjourn

Thursday, Oct. 19 — Four County Career Center
22-900 State Route 34, Archbold, 43502
(419) 267-3331



5:30 p.m. Networking

5:50 p.m. Welcome and introductions

Robert McPherson, Northwest Region president; board member, Bath Local (Allen); and Tim Meister, superintendent, Four County Career Center

Opening ceremony: Defiance City's Defiance Elementary School Sign Choir, directed by Kristin Wendell

OSBA welcome

Denise Baba, OSBA president; board member, Streetsboro City

Presentation of Northwest Region slate of candidates

6 p.m. Dinner

Four County Career Center Chef Training and Culinary Arts Management classes, Peter Herold, instructor

Dinner entertainment: Spencerville Local's (Allen) Spencerville High School Jazz Band, directed by Josh VanGorder

OSBA legislative update

Jay Smith, deputy director of legislative services, OSBA

Keynote speaker: Inspiring the voices of school caregivers

Diana Patton, author of "Inspiration in My Shoes"

OSBA update

Richard Lewis, executive director, OSBA

Awards and recognitions

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8:30 p.m. Announcements and adjourn

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

Award of Achievement

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Authority for reimbursement

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Reservations

Please check which conference you will attend: ☐ Oct. 5, Perrysburg ☐ Oct. 19, Archbold

The cost to attend is \$30 per person or \$160 per table (seats six) for OSBA members, guests and spouses, which covers the cost of the meal. The cost is \$20 for students and their parents. Please include a list of attendees and titles with your reservation. **Please make checks payable to OSBA Northwest Region and mail to Dr. Judy Jackson May**, regional manager, 1513 Cobblestone Drive, Bowling Green, OH 43402. Phone is (419) 581-9782; fax is (419) 372-8448; email address is jjacksonmay@ohioschoolboards.org. The deadline to RSVP for the Perrysburg conference is Wednesday, Sept. 27. The deadline for the Archbold conference is Wednesday, Oct. 11. Please include payment with 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. While checks are preferred, we can accept purchase orders for districts reserving one or more tables.

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

District/County _____

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.)

Southeast Region Fall Conference

Thursday, Sept. 28

**Alexander Elementary School Cafetorium, 6091 Ayers Road, Albany, 45710
(740) 698-8831**

**5:30 p.m. Networking
Entertainment**

6:15 p.m. Presiding and welcome
*Michael Fador, Southeast Region president;
board member, St. Clairsville-Richland City
and Belmont-Harrison Career Center*
Dinner

6:55 p.m. OSBA update
*Denise Baba, OSBA president; board
member, Streetsboro City*
OSBA comments
Richard Lewis, executive director, OSBA
Legislative update
*Jay Smith, deputy director of legislative
services, OSBA*

**7:35 p.m. Annual business meeting and election
of 2018 officers**

7:45 p.m. Award presentations
● Recognition of veteran board members

- Recognition of Ohio Department of Education (ODE) Schools of Promise — High Performing Schools
- Recognition of ODE Momentum Award schools
- Recognition of Ohio Association of Elementary School Administrators Hall of Fame School
- Recognition of the Leader in Me Lighthouse School
- Presentation of Southeast Region President's Award
- Outstanding School Board Member awards
- Annual Southeast Region recognition awards
- Southeast Region's Advocate of Education award
Recipient: Judge L. Scott Powell, Meigs County Juvenile Court

8:30 p.m. 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. **Please make checks payable to OSBA Southeast Region and mail to Paul D. Mock**, regional manager, 685 E. Main St., Logan, OH 43138. Phone is (740) 385-5240 or (740) 469-2724; fax is (614) 540-4100; email pmock@ohioschoolboards.org. Deadline for reservations is Friday, Sept. 22. Please include payment with reservation. Please call for 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.

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

District/county _____

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.)

Southwest Region Fall Conference

Thursday, Oct. 12

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

5 p.m. **Networking**

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

Mark Ewing, Southwest Region president; board member, Batavia Local (Clermont) and Great Oaks Career Campuses

Entertainment

Batavia Local's Batavia High School Jazz Band, directed by David Smith

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

Great Oaks Career Campuses Scarlet Oaks Naval Jr. ROTC cadets

Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence

Scott Huddle, Southwest Region president-elect; board member, Mad River Local (Montgomery)

6 p.m. **Buffet dinner**

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

Mark Ewing

Recognition of Blue Ribbon Schools and Schools of Promise

Southwest Region Executive Committee

Special presentation

OSBA update

Denise Baba, OSBA president; board member, Streetsboro City

OSBA comments

Richard Lewis, executive director, OSBA

Nominating Committee report and election

Sue Steele, Southwest Region immediate past president; board member, Goshen Local (Clermont) and Great Oaks Career Campuses

Legislative update

Jennifer Hogue, lobbyist, OSBA

Presentation of the annual Friend of Education Hall of Fame award

Presiding: Mark Ewing

Recipient: Kim Nuxhall, director of the Nuxhall Foundation, which includes the Joe Nuxhall Character Education Fund, Joe Nuxhall Miracle League Fields, Joe Nuxhall Scholarship Fund and Joe Nuxhall Hope Project

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

Denise Baba and Mark Ewing

Recognition of 2017 Southwest Region outstanding student programs

Mark Ewing, Scott Huddle and Rob Delane, deputy executive director, OSBA

Presentation of Al Kettlewell Awards for Outstanding Board Members

Mark Ewing, Richard Lewis and Cindy Kettlewell

Recognition of 2017 Capital Conference Southwest Region Student Achievement Fair participants

Denise Baba, Scott Huddle and Rob Delane

Adjournment

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District/county _____

Name, title _____

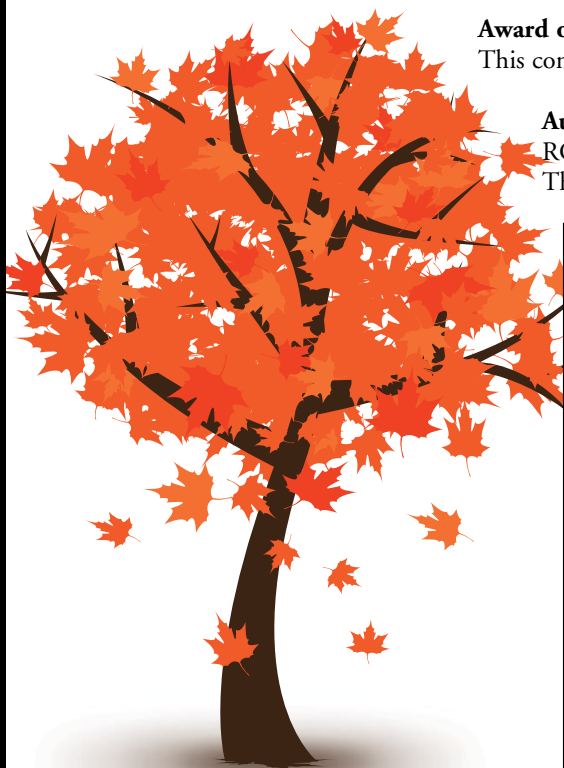
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WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Attendance, Tuition and Custody Law Workshop

☐ Aug. 4, Lewis Center, \$165

Budget Analysis and Discussion Seminar

☐ Aug. 14, Lewis Center, \$205

Board Candidate Workshop

- ☐ Aug. 30, Rootstown, \$95
- ☐ Sept. 7, Miamisburg, \$95
- ☐ Sept. 11, Findlay, \$95
- ☐ Sept. 12, Athens, \$95
- ☐ Sept. 16, Columbus, \$95

Board Candidate Webinar

☐ Sept. 21, webinar, \$50

OSBA Workshop Registration Form

Workshop name _____ Workshop date _____
Attendee name _____ Title _____
Daytime phone _____ Email _____
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 email **Laurie Miller**, senior events manager, at Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org. Include a purchase order number with fax or email.



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OSBA workshop registration procedures

OSBA sends email confirmation of registration if an email 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, email or online 24 hours a day.

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

You may register on our website at www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops. You will need a username and password.



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OSBA Registration Hotline,
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ext. 300; or fax us at
(614) 540-4100.



Email registrations can be sent to Laurie Miller at Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org. Please include a purchase order number.

Cancellation and refund policy

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

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Treasurers

Gahanna-Jefferson City hired **Tammy S. Emrick** as interim treasurer effective July 1. She replaced **Julio Valladares**, who took the treasurer position at **Newark City**. Emrick previously was a grants administrator at the University of Dayton.

Sympathies

Former **Allen East Local (Allen)** and **Apollo Career Center** school board member **Charles L. Billings** died June 27. He was 83. ●●● Former **Ansonia Local (Darke)** Board of Education member **Neil Evan Stemley** died June 26. He was 78. ●●● Former **Bethel-Tate Local (Clermont)** Board of Education member **Emmett "Nelson" Dick** died June 27. He was 91. ●●● Former **Canal Winchester Local (Franklin)** Board of Education member **Sheldon Kephart Burtner Jr.** died July 1. He was 88. ●●● Former **Coshocton City** and **Coshocton County Career Center** Board of Education Member **C. Melvin "Mel" Cantrell** died July 2. He was 74. ●●● Former **Firelands Local (Lorain)** Treasurer **Viola K. "Babe" Lees** died June 20. She was 96. ●●● **Hamilton County ESC** Governing Board member, **Great Oaks Career Campuses** Board of Education member and former **Finneytown Local (Hamilton)** school board member **Barbara Parry** died July 3. She was 85. ●●● Former **Mathews Local (Trumbull)** Board of Education member and Superintendent **Andrew Cvercko** died July 3. He was 95. ●●● Former **Newark City** Assistant Superintendent **Richard H. Cottrell** died June 27. He was 98. ●●● **Oliver J. Schneider**, a member of the former **Portage County** Board of Education, died July 1. He was 91. ●●● Former **Sycamore Community City** Board of Education member **Daniel P. Locke** died June 24. He was 82. ●●● Former **Van Buren Local (Hancock)** Treasurer **Jan Elaine August** died June 21. She was 67. ●●● **Hugh Edwin Townsend**, a former member of **Wilmington City** and the former **Martinsville** school boards in **Clinton County**, died July 7. He was 84.



OSBA MASTER OF TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION (MTA) PROGRAM

The MTA curriculum is suitable for new or veteran administrators and is 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, as well as 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 scheduled twice; participants may sign up for either session. Each class is \$90, or you can purchase an MTA subscription for the workshop series. The workshops will be at the OSBA office, 8050 N. High St., Columbus, 43235. Visit www.ohioschoolboards.org/transportation-training-programs to learn about the MTA certification program and view a schedule of 2017-18 classes.

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



LEGISLATIVE REPORT

by Jay Smith, deputy director of legislative services

Legislature wraps up biennial budget; more work lies ahead

The biennial budget process is complete; however, there is more work to be done. Following passage of the budget legislation, Amended Substitute House Bill 49, Gov. **John R. Kasich** issued 47 line-item vetoes.



OSBA Contract Analysis Service

OSBA provides a cost-effective professional analysis of both certified and classified collective bargaining agreements. These written reviews serve as a critique of current contract provisions, suggest potential pitfalls regarding legal compliance and provide specific recommendations as you go into your next round of collective bargaining.

Contact **Van D. Keating** at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA for more information.

None of the provisions vetoed was among those OSBA, the Buckeye Association of School Administrators (BASA) and the Ohio Association of School Business Officials (OASBO) had asked the governor to reject. However, Kasich did veto several provisions that the associations supported and want the legislature to restore.

The Ohio House of Representatives convened on July 6 and overrode 11 of the governor's vetoes, most of them dealing with Medicaid. According to the Legislative Service Commission, the legislature has not overridden a budget veto since 1977.

To complete the override process, the Ohio Senate still needs to take action. In addition, the House may consider more vetoes in the coming months. The legislature has until Dec. 31, 2018, — the end of its current two-year session — to override vetoes.

OSBA, BASA and OASBO are urging their members to speak with their local legislators about additional budget veto overrides on provisions impacting public school districts. The associations are requesting that the legislature override the vetoes follow.

Relief for tangible personal property tax losses

Kasich vetoed the legislature's provisions for short and long-term relief for districts highly reliant on tangible personal property tax (TPP) revenue. That relief would limit the loss of TPP payments in the coming biennium to 3.5% of a district's total resources. Limiting the phase-down rate for districts still receiving TPP replacement payments beginning in fiscal year 2020 would help districts that have always been the most reliant on TPP revenues.

Contrary to the rationale cited in the governor's veto message, these districts do not have the ability to easily overcome the loss of TPP payments locally. The state funding formula has not increased enough to make up for the loss, and local residential taxpayers are already paying more than their fair share in many cases. Further, the local wealth of the affected districts ranges from below the statewide average to above it, with no consistently similar characteristics.

Resident Educator Program requirements

The governor vetoed a provision striking the Resident Educator Program requirements from law.

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PUBLIC SCHOOLS WORK!

compiled by Scott Gerfen, assistant editor

Camp encourages students to become future inventors

Students tested their creativity at **North Canton City's** Hoover High School recently by devising different ways to use duct tape, building sustainable new planets, creating an alarm for a treasure box and testing a bubble blaster.

Over 50 students in grades kindergarten through six took part in Camp Invention, a National Inventors Hall of Fame program that encouraged them to think of new ideas and become future inventors.

North Canton City has conducted the weeklong STEM camp for the past 10 years.

"We started hosting the program as a gifted enrichment program, and it has grown so much over the years that we get kids from all over the country," coordinator and North Canton City fourth-grade science and math teacher **Brenda Triner** told a local newspaper.

The camp's programming is designed to build critical-thinking skills and help students work as a

team by sharing ideas.

Four sessions — Duct Tape Billionaire, Mission Space Makers, Operation Keep Out and Have a Blast — were offered this year. Students rotated among the sessions each day.

"The program offers a great week of learning while having fun," Triner said. "The kids don't have to worry about grades or taking a test. It's just a great time to explore."

Source: TheSuburbanite.com

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OSBA, BASA and OASBO have sought the elimination of this program for several years.

Since the inception of the Ohio Teacher Evaluation System, educators and administrators have been concerned with the redundancy created by overlaps in the two programs. Removing the Resident Educator Program does not preclude school districts, in cooperation with their teachers, from maintaining a career induction program that meets local needs.

School facilities projects

Kasich vetoed a provision calling for the recalculation of segmented school facilities

projects. That provision would enable districts participating in the state's school facilities program to segment their projects over time and recalculate the state share of the cost for each new segment.

Paper tests versus online exams

A provision that would permit districts to choose paper and pencil tests over computer-based exams also was vetoed. It has been difficult for some districts to make the transition to administering all state tests electronically, as is mandated by state law. In response, the legislature included a provision in the budget that would

allow them to choose between online or paper and pencil tests. Many school districts need this flexibility.

The General Assembly currently is on its summer recess and expected to return in early fall. Take this opportunity to meet locally with your representatives and discuss how the budget bill is impacting your district.

For the latest legislative updates, contact the OSBA legislative division at (800) 589-6722 or visit OSBA's BillTracker page at <http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/billtracker>.

Editor's note: All information in this article was current as of July 13, 2017.

July

- 25 Last day to submit certification for November conversion levy to tax commissioner — RC 5705.219(B) (105 days prior to election).
- 31 Last day 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); last day to submit certification for November income tax levy to Ohio Department of Taxation — RC 5748.02(A) (100 days prior to election); semiannual campaign finance reports must be filed by certain candidates, political action committees, caucus committees (legislative campaign funds) and political parties (by 4 p.m.) detailing contributions and expenditures through June 30, 2017 — RC 3517.10(A)(4).

August

- 1 Last day to file statistical report with Ohio Department of Education — RC 3319.33.
- 2 Central Region Executive Committee Meeting Columbus
- 4 Attendance, Tuition and Custody Law Workshop Lewis Center
- 4 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 (95 days prior to election).

- 7 Southwest Region Executive Committee Meeting Yellow Springs
- 8 Special Election Day — RC 3501.01 (first Tuesday after the first Monday).
- 9 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 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); last day to certify resolution for school district income tax levy, conversion levy or renewal of conversion levy for November election to board of

elections — RC 5748.02(C), 5705.219 (C) and (G) (90 days prior to the election).

- 14 Budget Analysis and Discussion (BAD) Seminar Lewis Center
- 20 Southeast Region Executive Committee meeting Logan
- 30 Board Candidate Workshop Rootstown

September

- 7 Board Candidate Workshop Miamisburg
- 11 Board Candidate Workshop Findlay
- 12 Board Candidate Workshop Athens
- 13 OSBA Master of Transportation Administration Program: Routing and Technology Columbus
- 15 Treasurers Clinic Miamisburg
- 16 Board Candidate Workshop .. Columbus
- 19 Management Development Series #4: Safety and security Columbus
- 20 OSBA Master of Transportation Administration Program: Routing and Technology Columbus
- 21 Board Candidate Webinar
- 22 Diversity and Inclusion in the Law Workshop Columbus
- 26 Treasurers Clinic Rootstown
- 27 Central Region Fall Conference Columbus
- 28 Treasurers Clinic Findlay