



OSBA Book Club

Learn and network with peers across Ohio through the OSBA Book Club. Board members, administrators and other district staff members are encouraged to participate in this new program.

Why you should join

- Relevant and engaging professional development.
- Statewide networking opportunities and the chance to meet new colleagues.
- Learn about dynamic, on-trend topics related to public education.
- Speak with and hear from selected publications' authors in person and/or via video conference.
- It's free – the only cost is the books, which are available to participants at a discount.

How the program works

- Books will be selected in January, April and September.
- Pick the book or books you're interested in reading, then register for the OSBA Book Club.
- Book club members will read publications and participate together in webinars and video conferences hosted by OSBA staff.

Ready to join? Its easy:

- Sign up for the OSBA Book Club at www.ohioschoolboards.org/bookclub. Fill out the registration form for each person in your district joining the club. This will ensure everyone receives information about book discussions, author meetings, book suggestions and more.
- Follow the link sent to you to order a book for each participating reader. Discounted prices are available through OSBA's bookstore on Amazon.com, but books can be bought elsewhere or, if available, borrowed from your local library.
- Note the dates and times for the webinars in your calendar and participate in the statewide conversation. You'll receive a reminder about the webinars.
- Enjoy the read! OSBA is excited to create this opportunity for discussion in your district and across the state.

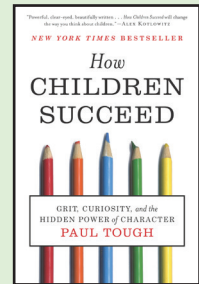
January 2014 selection

How Children Succeed: Grit, Curiosity, and the Hidden Power of Character

by Paul Tough

Why do some children succeed while others fail?

The story we usually tell about childhood and success is the one about intelligence: success comes to those who score highest on tests, from preschool admissions to SATs. But in *How Children Succeed*, Paul Tough argues that the qualities that matter more have to do with character: skills like perseverance, curiosity, optimism and self-control.



For questions or to join the OSBA Book Club, contact **Cheryl W. Ryan**, deputy director of school board services, at (614) 540-4000 or cryan@ohioschoolboards.org.

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