

# BRIEFCASE

## THE OHIO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION

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### Don't just attend Capital Conference, be a workshop presenter

OSBA is seeking workshop presentation nominations for the Capital Conference and Trade Show, Nov. 11-13 in Columbus. The conference, one of the nation's leading education conventions, offers exceptional opportunities for learning, sharing and networking in over 130 workshops. To view a list of learning categories and potential topics, visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/31264>. To nominate sessions, visit <http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org/nominate>. Guidelines for nominations are listed at the bottom of that page. The nomination deadline is March 9 at 5 p.m.

### Schools encouraged to participate in summer meal program

The Ohio Department of Education (ODE) is urging local nonprofit agencies, including schools, to become sponsors or sites for providing free summer meals to children. The Summer Food Service Program, funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and administered in Ohio by ODE, provides cash reimbursements to sponsoring agencies that serve nutritional meals to low-income children or children living in low-income areas throughout Ohio. Those interested should complete a survey at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/40117> by March 2.

### Share your concerns with legislators at State Legislative Conference

The State Legislative Conference offers an outstanding opportunity for local school districts to meet with state legislators and other policymakers. Set for March 6 at the Sheraton Columbus at Capitol Square, the annual event is hosted by OSBA, the Buckeye Association of School Administrators and the Ohio Association of School Business Officials. It features presentations from legislators and other experts as well as the chance to meet one-on-one with association lobbyists and those making key decisions about Ohio public education. For details and registration information, see the Briefcase blue pages or visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/22429>.

### NSBA report focuses on rural school district challenges

Nearly 20% of the nation's students attend rural schools, yet are not provided the same focus in national policy or research as students in urban and suburban districts. Out of the Loop, a new report from the National School Boards Association (NSBA) Center for Public Education, finds that poverty, isolation and inequities are exacerbated for rural students by the lack of attention to the unique needs of this considerable student population. Learn more at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/99143>.

### OSBA 2018 Legislative Platform posted online, mailed to members

The OSBA 2018 Legislative Platform is now available on the association's website at

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#### Route workshop information to:

- ☐ Administrators
- ☐ Business managers
- ☐ New board members

<http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/43115>, and platform booklets have been mailed to members. The platform informs legislators, policymakers, the public and the news media about OSBA's positions on education issues. It also guides the association's advocacy efforts.

### **Secretary of state's office offering free civics curriculum**

The Ohio secretary of state's office offers many free educational resources to the state's schools. They include curriculum on the nation's founding fathers and the Ohio Constitution, U.S. Constitution, Bill of Rights and Declaration of Independence. Another resource is Profile Ohio, an overview of the people, places and events that make Ohio unique. It includes information on the eight U.S. presidents who came from Ohio; aviation; numerous athletes and artists; and more.

**Snowball Challenge delivers acts of kindness**

The "snowballs" crafted by students at **Mason City's** Mason Intermediate School were taped to lockers and classroom doors — all in the name of kindness.

The Snowball Challenge encouraged students to spread cheer throughout the school. Students responded with heartfelt notes, quotes and sketches, Team Innovation sixth-grade science teacher **Lindsey Colvin** told a local newspaper.

"I believe that we have started yet another tradition here at (Mason Intermediate) that will continue to build pride and strengthen our community," she said.

The Mason Intermediate Pride Committee has been implementing weekly and biweekly challenges for students.

Source: Journal-News

Learn more about these free resources and others at **[www.ohiosecretaryofstate.gov](http://www.ohiosecretaryofstate.gov)**.

### **NSBA Annual Conference set for April 7-9 in Texas**

The 78th Annual National School Boards Association Annual Conference and Exposition will

run April 7 through April 9 in San Antonio. The event features renowned keynote speakers, cutting-edge learning sessions offering valuable insights for school leaders and a large trade exhibition. For details visit **[www.nsba.org/conference](http://www.nsba.org/conference)**.

### **Capital Conference student documentary video released**

Each year, OSBA selects a student video team to produce a brief documentary of the Capital Conference. The 2017 video was produced by a team from **Alliance City** and is posted at **<http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/93482>**.

### **OSBA online**

● **[www.ohioschoolboards.org](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org)**

OSBA offers its member school districts numerous programs, services and information resources. To review the many outstanding benefits districts have received, visit **<http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/57081>**.



## **Briefcase**

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# BULLETIN BOARD

compiled by Melanie Price, senior administrative assistant of communication services

## OSBA executive searches

### Treasurer

#### District

	Deadline	Contact
① Forest Hills Local (Hamilton)	March 23	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000



## National searches

#### Position

Superintendent

#### Location

Soap Lake, Wash.

#### Deadline

Feb. 22

#### Contact

McPherson & Jacobson LLC,  
(888) 375-4814

## Board changes

Akron City Board of Education member **John R. Otterman** announced his resignation effective Jan. 22. ●●● **Belpre City** appointed **Mike Miller** to the board effective Jan. 15. ●●● **Canton City** appointed **Mark Dillard** to the board effective Jan. 22. He replaced **Corey Minor Smith**, who resigned. Board of Education member **Willard Grimsely** announced his resignation effective immediately. ●●● **East Holmes Local (Holmes)** Board of Education member **Jeremy Kaufman** announced his resignation effective in March. He is moving out of state. ●●● **Kings Local (Warren)** Board of Education member **Kerry McKiernan** announced his resignation effective Jan. 10. ●●● **New London Local (Huron)** appointed **Timothy Gry**s to the board effective Jan. 8. He replaced **Gary Landis**, who resigned. ●●● **Newton Falls EV** appointed **Jennifer Urbania** to the board effective Jan. 18. ●●● **Patrick Henry Local (Henry)** appointed **Mark Feehan** to the board effective Jan. 11. ●●● **Southington Local (Trumbull)** appointed **John W. Shaffer** and **Richard W. Sele**p to the board effective Jan. 11. They replaced Dr. **Robert Baugher** and **Thomas Proverbs**, who resigned. ●●● **Trotwood-Madison City** appointed **Boyd Hastings** to the board effective Jan. 29. He replaced **Adrienne Heard**, who resigned in December. ●●● **Van Wert City** appointed **Tonia Verville** to the board effective Jan. 11. ●●● **Wolf Creek Local (Washington)** appointed **Scott Lange** to the board effective Jan. 22.

### Editor's note

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

## Administrative changes

### Superintendents

**Clark-Shawnee Local (Clark)** Superintendent **Gregg E. Morris** announced his retirement effective July 31. ●●● **Ironton City** Superintendent **Dean Nance** announced his resignation effective July 31. He will continue as a teacher in the district. ●●● **Patrick Henry Local (Henry)** Superintendent **Thomas L. Taylor** announced his retirement effective July 31. ●●● **Troy City** Superintendent **Eric J. Herman** announced his retirement effective July 31. ●●● **Valley View Local (Montgomery)** hired **Joe Scholler Sr.** as interim superintendent effective

Jan. 5. He replaced **Rick Earley**, who retired effective Jan. 5.

### **Treasurers**

**Tecumseh Local (Clark)** hired **Denise L. Robinson** as treasurer effective Jan. 2. She previously was the treasurer at **Northeastern Local (Clark)**. ●●● **Valley View Local (Montgomery)** hired **Laura K. Sauber** as treasurer effective Jan. 15. She replaced **Lauren Morris**. Sauber will continue to serve as treasurer for **Jefferson Township Local (Montgomery)**. ●●● **Vermilion Local (Erie)** Treasurer **Suzanne M. Wilson** announced her retirement effective April 1. ●●● **Rossford EV** hired **Meagan Conroy** as assistant treasurer effective Jan. 16. She previously was an assistant auditor with the state auditor's office.

### **Sympathies**

Former **Akron City** and State Board of Education member **John Edward Holcomb** died Jan. 18. He was 69. ●●● **Charles Antrup Nau**, former superintendent of **Batavia Local (Clermont)** and associate superintendent of the former **Clermont County** board of education, died Jan. 9. He was 95. ●●● Former **Champion Local (Trumbull)** Treasurer **Madonna "Donna Jean" Irwin Durst** died Jan. 9. She was 92. ●●● Former **Crestline EV** Board of Education member **John E. Smarto** died Jan. 13. He was 87. ●●● Former **Fostoria City** Assistant Treasurer **Barbara Lou Warner** died Jan. 13. She was 86. ●●● **Jerry M. Bates**, former member of the **Franklin Local** and former **Meigs** boards of education in Muskingum County, died Jan. 17. He was 85. ●●● Former **Gallia County Local (Gallia)** Board of Education member **Chester Michael "Mike" Polcyn** died Jan. 24. He was 76. ●●● Former **Greenville City** Board of Education member and former **New Philadelphia City** Superintendent **Ronald Eugene "Ron" Eikenberry** died Jan. 12. He was 82. ●●● Former **Hamilton City** Board of Education member **Thomas J. Millikin** died Jan. 6. He was 85. ●●● Former **Lake Local (Stark)** Assistant Superintendent **Irma Lou Griggs-Field** died Jan. 15. She was 88. ●●● Former **Liberty Local (Trumbull)** Superintendent **Pat L. Sebastiano** died Jan. 5. He was 90. ●●● Former **Mohawk Local (Wyandot)** Board of Education member **Elinor Mae Spellerberg** died Jan. 17. She was 90. ●●● Former **Port Clinton City** Treasurer **Charles E. Guth** died Jan. 11. He was 90. ●●● Former **Reynoldsburg City** Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent **Joseph I. Endry** died Jan. 21. He was 88.



## **Achieving more together**

The OSBA Legal Assistance Fund provides financial or legal assistance in matters of statewide importance to local school districts.

### **What we can do:**

- File friend of the court (amicus) briefs supporting issues of statewide importance.
- Minimize the financial hardship of costly litigation to individual boards of education.
- Supplement legal services available to boards of education.

### **Benefits to your district:**

- Favorable judicial decisions that set precedents that can have a positive impact in your district.
- Direct assistance to your district if it is involved in a lawsuit of statewide significance.
- A quarterly e-newsletter of recent Ohio school law developments.

To join, contact the OSBA Division of Legal Services at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA.





## NEWS

by Scott Gerfen, assistant editor

### McFarland ready to be a part of every student's journey

Dr. **Kathy McFarland** will tell you, "The schoolhouse is my wheelhouse." And with more than 20 years in various roles, the longtime educator has a résumé to back it up.

As OSBA's new deputy executive director, the former teacher and administrator and mother of three children aims to remain a part of every student's journey.

"Here, I'm in a position to have influence on all of the students in Ohio," said McFarland, who joined OSBA in January. "I truly believe in the work we do here. Boards of education are so important. They make decisions that directly impact kids. I really like the idea that I'll be working with teams of people who are doing really, really great things for students."

McFarland comes from **Olentangy Local's (Delaware)** Orange High School, where she served as principal for more than two years. Before that, she spent eight years at Olentangy Local's Hyatts Middle School as its principal.

She also was an assistant principal at **North Union Local's (Union)** North Union High School after teaching English, public speaking and other related courses at **Dublin City** and Olentangy Local. In addition, she coached the

boys and girls swim teams at Dublin City's Coffman High School.

"I've thought about what value I can bring to this current, high-functioning team," McFarland said. "And, it truly is the experiences of being a teacher and administrator in the schoolhouse. When people talk about policy, laws or ideas, a lot of them talk theoretically. I would say, 'This is what it would look like in the schoolhouse.'"

The **Worthington City** graduate earned her bachelor's in communications from North Carolina State University, where she swam competitively and missed the Olympic trials by 0.01 second. In high school, she was state runner-up in the backstroke.

McFarland continued her education at the University of Dayton, where she completed her master's in educational leadership. She earned a doctorate in educational leadership at Ohio University.

Currently, she is an adjunct faculty member at Capital University and collaborates with researchers at Ohio State University (OSU) on successful students. She also is writing a book on her current research.

OSBA Executive Director **Richard Lewis** said McFarland brings an enormous skill set to the

association. She fills the role held by **Rob Delane**, who retired in August after 17 years with the association.

"Kathy has extensive experience in many areas including continuous improvement planning; setting and monitoring institutional and individual goals; research; instruction; public speaking; and organizational management," he said. "At Orange, she directed a staff of more than 170 administrators, teachers and support staff. Just as important, Kathy has the enthusiasm and passion for her work that makes her a great fit with the members of the OSBA Board of Trustees and staff."

McFarland remains committed to advancing student achievement and has watched her children succeed in public schools. **Daniel** is a senior at Olentangy Local's Liberty High School. **Kristen** majors in communications at Florida State University and plays for the women's soccer team. **Katy**, a senior at OSU, is studying neuroscience and Spanish.

"Public schools have prepared them for the next step," McFarland said. "We are here to help guide every student to success once they leave the public schoolhouse."



## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

compiled by Angela Penquite, managing editor

### Scholarships available for summer lab classes

High school students can take science courses at Stone Laboratory, Ohio State University's island campus on Lake Erie, for college credit. Tuition assistance is

available for the 2018 summer program based on need and academic record. To apply for aid, students must complete the Stone Laboratory application; a cover letter describing how the experience will impact their academic and

career goals and financial needs; and a recommendation letter attesting to their academic abilities in biology or science and evaluating their maturity level.

**Maximum awards:** \$2,500

**Eligibility:** students at least 15 years old who have a GPA of at least 3.0 and have completed their sophomore year and one course of high school biology by summer 2018

**Deadline:** March 14

**Contact:** <http://go.osu.edu/aid>

### Connecting generations

The Listen to a Life Essay Contest, sponsored by the Legacy Project, asks students to interview a grandparent or grand-friend 50 years or older about the older person's hopes and goals throughout their life, how they achieved their goals and overcame obstacles or how their dreams may have changed along the way. The student then writes a 300-word essay based on the interview.

**Maximum awards:** \$100 gift cards

**Eligibility:** students ages 8-18

**Deadline:** March 23

**Contact:** [www.legacyproject.org/contests/ltal.html](http://www.legacyproject.org/contests/ltal.html)

### Presidential awards for math and science teaching

The Presidential Awards for

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## Call for Presentations

### Nominate a learning session for the 2018 OSBA Capital Conference and Trade Show!

Do you have a timely topic that will engage attendees in discussions involving the latest education trends, issues and solutions? Has your district created a project or program that can be replicated in another district?

Help us boost student achievement in Ohio by sharing your expertise and knowledge with over 9,000 school board members, administrators and education leaders at the Ohio School Boards Association Capital Conference and Trade Show, Nov. 11-13, in Columbus.

Submit your educational presentation proposal online at  
<http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org/nominate>.

**Deadline:** March 9, 2018



# OSBA ★ Student Achievement Fair ★

Tuesday, Nov. 13, 2018

10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Greater Columbus Convention Center

Do you want to see your district's students involved in the OSBA Capital Conference? The Student Achievement Fair, held in conjunction with the OSBA Capital Conference, highlights outstanding student performing groups and fresh, innovative initiatives from public school districts across the state.

## Student Achievement Fair performing groups

One performing group from each of OSBA's five regions will be chosen to perform during the Student Achievement Fair. Past performances have included cheerleaders, choirs, bands, orchestras and percussion ensembles. Each group will perform for 20 minutes. Submit a nomination at <http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org/saf-nominations> and email an electronic video audition or YouTube link to **Gwen Samet**, administrative assistant of board and management services, at [gsamet@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:gsamet@ohioschoolboards.org). Only electronic recordings will be accepted. The nomination deadline is Friday, May 25.

## Student Achievement Fair district programs

OSBA is accepting nominations for programs that showcase exemplary student achievement. Examples of previous presentations include graphic design demonstrations, world languages, industrial technology projects, career center culinary arts programs, STEM projects and outdoor education. View the list of 2017 Student Achievement Fair district programs at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/60021>. One hundred programs will be chosen, and nominations will be accepted until all booths have been filled. Complete a nomination at <http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org/saf-nominations>.

## Have questions?

Contact **Gwen Samet** ([gsamet@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:gsamet@ohioschoolboards.org)) or **Teri Morgan** ([tmorgan@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:tmorgan@ohioschoolboards.org)) at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA with any questions.

Visit <http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org/saf-nominations> to nominate a student performing group or district program today!





# School Finance 101: What Board Members Should Know

Thursday, Feb. 22, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. • OSBA office in Columbus

School finance is a complicated subject. As board members, it is important to know the basics. Learn from the experts about state and local funding, levies and five-year forecasts. Become your district's expert and find out how to access data and what questions to ask.

## Agenda

8:45 a.m.  
9 a.m.

**Registration**  
**Ohio school-funding formula — what school board members should know**

*Aaron Rausch, director, Office of Budget and School Funding, Ohio Department of Education*

10:30 a.m.

**Break**

10:40 a.m.

**Property tax and school-funding formula implications in the next biennium**

*Dr. Howard Fleeter, consultant, Ohio Education Policy Institute*

12:15 p.m.  
1 p.m.

**Lunch**

**Understanding five-year forecasts**

*Matt Bunting, consultant, Public Finance Resources (PFR)*

1:55 p.m.

**Break**

2:05 p.m.

**Levies, levies, levies and local funding**

*Michael Sobul, consultant, PFR*

3 p.m.

**Wrap-up and adjourn**

Cost is \$160, which includes materials, lunch and refreshments. For registration, contact Laurie Miller at (614) 540-4000; (800) 589-OSBA; or [Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org).

This workshop is Stop 2 in the 2018 New Board Member Passport. The passport includes six workshops that expose you to topics that are important to new board members in their first year. Visit [www.ohioschoolboards.org/passport](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/passport) to learn more.



# OSBA MASTER OF TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION (MTA) PROGRAM

The 2017-18 MTA workshops will help those involved in student transportation better understand and perform day-to-day operations.

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 \$95, or you can purchase an MTA subscription for the workshop series; contact **Diana Paulins**, OSBA senior administrative assistant of policy services, for subscription information. All workshops will be at the OSBA office, 8050 N. High St., Columbus, OH, 43235. Visit [www.ohioschoolboards.org/transportation-training-programs](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/transportation-training-programs) to learn about the MTA certification program.

## Workshop dates and descriptions

### April 4 or 11 — Public relations and working with the media

Experience a “live interview” process to learn how to develop talking points and stay on target in an interview. Also learn how to build proactive media relationships.

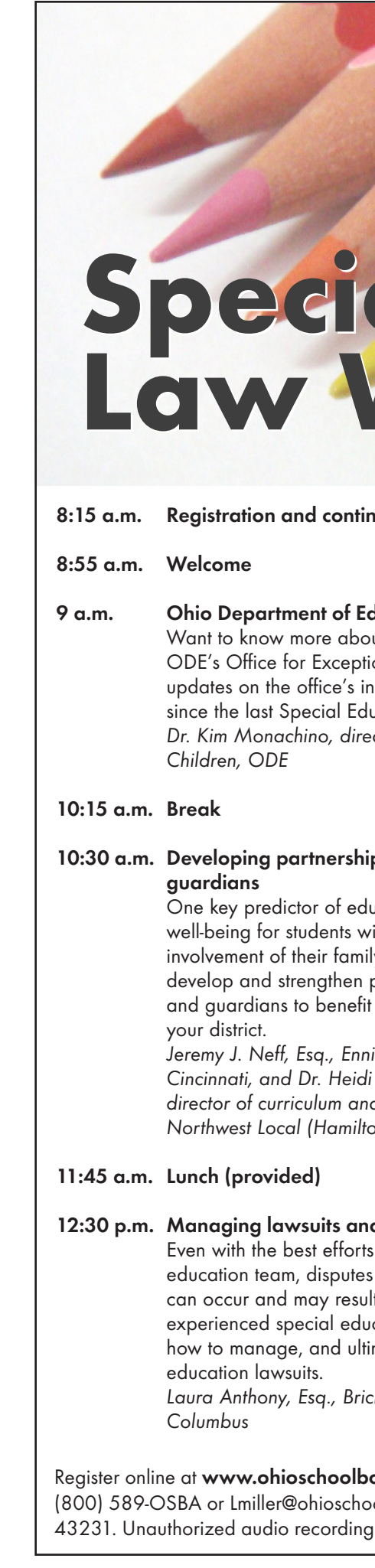
### May 2 or 9 — Designing your operational plan and building keys for success

Review how to put the operational plan together, including timelines and how to schedule or delegate projects. Discover how building support networks and stakeholder groups are key to your success.

For questions about the program or to register, contact **Diana Paulins** at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or [mta@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:mta@ohioschoolboards.org).







Friday, March 2  
9 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.  
Embassy Suites, Columbus  
Cost is \$180 (includes a book)

# Special Education Law Workshop

**8:15 a.m. Registration and continental breakfast**

**8:55 a.m. Welcome**

**9 a.m. Ohio Department of Education (ODE) update**  
Want to know more about what's going on at ODE's Office for Exceptional Children? Get updates on the office's initiatives and activities since the last Special Education Law Workshop.  
*Dr. Kim Monachino, director, Office for Exceptional Children, ODE*

**10:15 a.m. Break**

**10:30 a.m. Developing partnerships with parents and guardians**  
One key predictor of educational success and well-being for students with disabilities is the involvement of their family members. Learn how to develop and strengthen partnerships with parents and guardians to benefit students, families and your district.  
*Jeremy J. Neff, Esq., Ennis Britton Co. LPA, Cincinnati, and Dr. Heidi Stickney, assistant director of curriculum and special education, Northwest Local (Hamilton)*

**11:45 a.m. Lunch (provided)**

**12:30 p.m. Managing lawsuits and dispute resolution**  
Even with the best efforts of your district's special education team, disputes and disagreements can occur and may result in lawsuits. Join an experienced special education attorney to discuss how to manage, and ultimately resolve, special education lawsuits.  
*Laura Anthony, Esq., Bricker & Eckler LLP, Columbus*

**1:30 p.m. IDEA and Section 504: What's the difference and why does it matter?**

All students with disabilities are protected under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. While most receive special education and related services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), some are instead entitled to a 504 plan. This session will compare differing requirements under these two federal laws and explain how a school district can meet its obligations to provide a free appropriate public education to all eligible students.  
*Helen S. Carroll, Esq., Roetzel & Andress LPA, Akron*

**2:30 p.m. Break**

**2:45 p.m. Educating students in the least restrictive environment**  
IDEA requires that students be educated in typical classroom settings to the maximum extent appropriate. Explore factors to consider in balancing IDEA's strong preference for mainstreaming while recognizing that some students are best educated in more restrictive settings.  
*Jessica Dawso, Esq., Scott Scriven LLP, Columbus*

**3:45 p.m. Adjourn**

*This program has been approved by the Supreme Court of Ohio Commission on Continuing Legal Education (CLE) for 5.5 hours of CLE credit.*

Register online at [www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops) or contact **Laurie Miller**, senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or [Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org). The Embassy Suites is located at 2700 Corporate Exchange Drive, Columbus, 43231. Unauthorized audio recording or videotaping of any session is strictly prohibited.



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# State Legislative Conference

**Tuesday, March 6**

**Sheraton Columbus at Capitol Square, Columbus**

**9 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

**Cost is \$135**

The State Legislative Conference provides school board members, administrators and treasurers a great venue in which to meet with their state legislators and discuss issues impacting public education. It provides a golden opportunity to get the message out on the importance of investing in a strong public school system and putting a local face on these issues.

During the morning session, school district leaders will hear briefings on proposed legislation that can be used in discussions with their legislators during lunch and office visits later that day. Attendees also will hear from legislative leaders about their views on public education and other priorities.

**Attendees are urged to schedule office appointments between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. to meet individually with their legislators and aides following the luncheon. We also encourage you to extend a personal invitation to them to attend the luncheon.**

Don't miss this annual event and a chance to have your voice heard at the Statehouse. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Register online at [www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops) or contact **Laurie Miller**, OSBA senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or [Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org). The Sheraton Columbus at Capitol Square is located at 75 E. State St., Columbus, 43215.

## **Agenda**

**8:30 a.m.**

**Registration**

**9 a.m.**

**Lobbyists' briefing on key issues**

*Jennifer Hogue, director of legislative services; Jay Smith, deputy director of legislative services; and Will Schwartz, lobbyist, OSBA; Tom Ash, director of governmental relations, Buckeye Association of School Administrators; and Barbara Shaner, legislative advocacy specialist, Ohio Association of School Business Officials*

**9:30 a.m.**

**Legislative leadership perspectives**

*Sen. Peggy Lehner (R-Kettering), chair, Senate Education Committee; and Rep. Andrew Brenner (R-Powell), chair, House Education and Career Readiness Committee*

**10:30 a.m.**

**Lobbyists' briefing on key issues continued**

**11 a.m.**

**Ohio House perspective**

*Rep. John Patterson (D-Jefferson)*

**11:30 a.m.**

**Ohio Senate perspective**

*Sen. Matt Huffman (R-Lima)*

**Noon**

**Lunch with your legislators**



## Management Development Series #1: School Safety: Early Intervention and De-escalation techniques

Thursday, March 8, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
OSBA office, Columbus • Cost is \$95



School safety is about more than the major incidents you hear about in the news. You need a well-thought-out emergency management plan and a commitment to training staff in all aspects of school safety. Join OSBA staff, a NaviGate Prepared representative and two experienced Columbus police officers to explore emergency management plans, the importance of early intervention and de-escalation techniques that can be implemented when needed.

### Agenda

- 9:30 a.m. Registration**  
**10 a.m. Building your school safety toolbox**  
Discuss emergency management plans, online options for maintaining your plans and staff training.  
*Kyle E. Lathwell, policy consultant, OSBA*
- 10:30 a.m. Further discussion of emergency management plans**  
Take a closer look at online options for maintaining your plans as well as a demonstration by NaviGate Prepared.

**11 a.m.**

### Early intervention

Explore why early intervention and effective communication are critical to keeping the school environment safe and learn about the use of threat assessment teams.

*Sgt. Frederick Brophy, Columbus Division of Police*

**Noon**

### Lunch (provided)

**1 p.m.**

### De-escalation techniques and next steps

What techniques can be implemented when a situation begins to escalate? What happens next if these techniques fail? Explore what a crisis intervention team (CIT) is and how mental health issues impact schools and law enforcement.

*Officer Jennifer Mancini, CIT officer, Columbus Division of Police*

**2 p.m.**

### Adjourn

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. Cost for the workshop is \$95 and includes lunch and materials. Register online at [www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops) or contact **Laurie Miller**, senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or [Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org).

## Administrative salary analysis

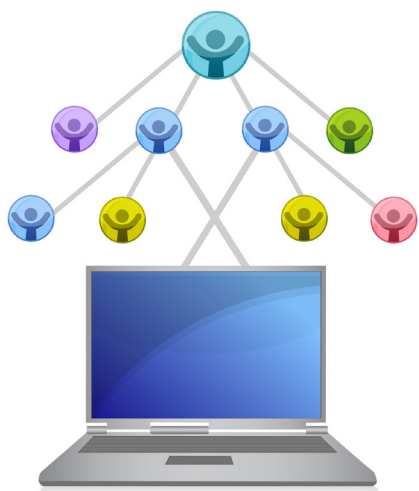
Need help determining how to compensate your administrators? It's more complicated than most people think, and OSBA has considerable experience in this area. We are able to assist school districts with a variety of important initiatives, including:

- compensation/classification system design
- job description creation/modification
- performance evaluation system design

For more information, contact **Van D. Keating**, senior staff attorney, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or [vkeating@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:vkeating@ohioschoolboards.org).







# OSBA Cyberlaw Workshop

Friday, March 16, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

OSBA office, Columbus

Cost is \$160

8:30 a.m. Registration and continental breakfast

11:30 a.m. Lunch (provided)

8:50 a.m. Welcome

12:30 p.m. Top 10 cyberlaw concerns facing schools

9 a.m. Dangerous apps reboot

An education lawyer discusses the potentially dangerous apps students are using today. Learn what makes these popular apps so dangerous and discuss whether it is the apps or student behavior actually creating the danger.

*Miriam Pearlmutter, Esq., Walter Haverfield LLP*

Hear two experienced school attorneys discuss the top 10 legal issues related to school and IT programs. Topics include strengthening your acceptable-use policy, dealing with ransomware and data breaches, cloud privacy, cyberbullying, copyright infringement and more.

*Hollie F. Reedy, Esq. and Ryan LaFlamme, Esq., Ennis Britton Co. LPA*

10:15 a.m. Break

1:45 p.m. Break

10:30 a.m. From banning devices to bringing your own: Has your district changed with the technology?

Not long ago, districts were drafting policies banning devices like cellphones. Now, districts are developing and expanding bring-your-own device and one-to-one programs. A school attorney explains current software and program options, as well as legal implications and obstacles you might face in implementing these programs.

*Lindsay Gingo, Esq., Lindsay Gingo Law LLC*

2 p.m. Website accessibility: Where we are today

Learn the current status of federal Office for Civil Rights investigations into school district website compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

*Julia Bauer, Esq., Scott Scriven LLP*

3 p.m. Adjourn

*This program has been approved by the Supreme Court of Ohio Commission on Continuing Legal Education (CLE) for 4.5 hours of CLE credit.*

Register online at [www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops) or contact **Laurie Miller**, senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or [Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org). Unauthorized audio recording or videotaping of any session is strictly prohibited.

# OSBA's Regional Spring Conferences

**Central Region** Wednesday, March 7  
**Northeast Region** Thursday, March 22  
**Northeast Region** Wednesday, March 28  
**Northwest Region** Thursday, March 8

**Southeast Region** Tuesday, March 20  
**Southeast Region** Tuesday, March 27  
**Southwest Region** Tuesday, March 13

To make a reservation for your region's annual spring conference, contact your regional manager at the address below or print the registration forms found at [www.ohioschoolboards.org/regions](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/regions).

## **Central Region, March 7**

Villa Milano, Columbus

Cost: \$40

Reservation deadline: Feb. 28

Make your reservation online at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/crspring2018>

Contact: Melanie Price, senior administrative assistant of communication services, OSBA  
8050 N. High St., Ste. 100, Columbus, 43235

Phone: (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA

Email: [mprice@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:mprice@ohioschoolboards.org)

## **Northeast Region, March 22**

Trumbull Career & Technical Center, Warren

Cost: \$35

Reservation deadline: March 19

Make your reservation online at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/nespring2018Warren>

Contact: Melanie Price, senior administrative assistant of communication services, OSBA  
8050 N. High St., Ste. 100, Columbus, 43235

Phone: (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA

Email: [mprice@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:mprice@ohioschoolboards.org)

## **Northeast Region, March 28**

Parma Senior High School, Parma

Cost: \$35

Reservation deadline: March 26

Make your reservation online at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/nespring2018Parma>

Contact: Melanie Price, senior administrative assistant of communication services, OSBA  
8050 N. High St., Ste. 100, Columbus, 43235

Phone: (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA

Email: [mprice@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:mprice@ohioschoolboards.org)

## **Northwest Region, March 8**

Spencerville High School, Spencerville

Cost: \$30, or \$160 for a table seating six; \$20 for students and their parents

Reservation deadline: Feb. 23

Contact: Dr. Judy Jackson May, Northwest regional manager

1513 Cobblestone Drive, Bowling Green, 43402

Phone: (419) 581-9782

Fax: (419) 372-8448

Email: [jjacksonmay@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:jjacksonmay@ohioschoolboards.org)

## **Southeast Region, March 20**

Portsmouth High School, Portsmouth

Cost: \$38

Reservation deadline: March 16

Contact: Paul D. Mock, Southeast regional manager  
685 E. Main St., Logan, 43138-1737

Phone: (740) 469-2724

Fax: (740) 380-2487

Email: [pmock@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:pmock@ohioschoolboards.org)

## **Southeast Region, March 27**

Coshocton County Career Center, Coshocton

Cost: \$38

Reservation deadline: March 23

Contact: Paul D. Mock, Southeast regional manager  
685 E. Main St., Logan, 43138-1737

Phone: (740) 469-2724

Fax: (740) 380-2487

Email: [pmock@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:pmock@ohioschoolboards.org)

## **Southwest Region, March 13**

Warren County Career Center, Lebanon

Cost: \$38

Reservation deadline: March 7

Contact: Ronald J. Diver, Southwest regional manager  
8797 Meadowlark Drive, Franklin, 45005

Phone: (937) 634-9025

Email: [rdiver@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:rdiver@ohioschoolboards.org)

### **Authority for reimbursement**

Ohio Revised Code Section 3315.15 authorizes the establishment of a service fund for board members. Such funds may be used for expenses incurred for meetings such as this one.

### **Award of Achievement**

These conferences entitle board members to five Award of Achievement credits.



# WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

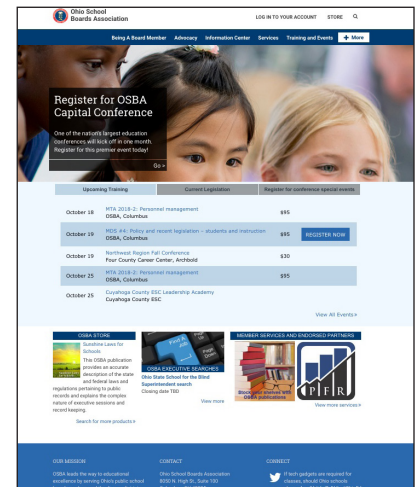
Register at [www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops)

OSBA members can access member-only information, including workshop registration, by logging in to the OSBA website.

## How to log in

Click on “Log in to your account” on top right of website. Log in using your email address on file and your password. Click “Reset your password” if needed.

If this is your first time logging in to the site, click “Create new account.” At the username prompt, enter your email address, select your affiliation and school district, and click “Submit.” Create a password and add your job title on the next screen. An email with a link to activate your account will be sent to you. Click on the link to activate your account, and you will be directed to a home screen.



## Questions about workers' comp rates? Get answers at the SchoolComp Workshops



Hear the latest on the SchoolComp program, Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC) changes and experience review. These sessions meet BWC's two-hour safety training requirement.

The workshops will be held at five sites around Ohio, beginning at 8:30 a.m. and ending at 12:30 p.m. While there is no fee, registration is requested to accommodate those attending.

You can register on the Ohio Association of School Business Officials (OASBO) website at [www.oasbo-ohio.org](http://www.oasbo-ohio.org) or by calling (614) 431-9116.

### Dates and locations:

Program members should mark their calendars now to attend one of the following workshops:

- Monday, Feb. 26  
Hilton Garden Inn, Miamisburg
- Thursday, March 1  
Hilton Garden Inn, Perrysburg
- Friday, March 2  
Northeast Ohio Medical University, Rootstown
- Monday, March 12  
Ohio University Inn and Conference Center, Athens
- Tuesday, March 13  
OASBO office, Columbus



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Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching are the nation's highest honors for math and science teachers. The awards recognize outstanding teachers for their contributions in the classroom and to their profession.

**Maximum awards:** \$10,000

**Eligibility:** Kindergarten to sixth-grade mathematics, science and computer science teachers who teach at least 50% of the time and

have taught full time for at least five years prior to the 2017-18 school year

**Deadline:** nominations due April 1; applications due May 1

**Contact:** [www.paemst.org](http://www.paemst.org)

### Young scientist challenge

The Discovery Education/3M Young Scientist Challenge encourages America's youth to explore and communicate about science. Students must submit a

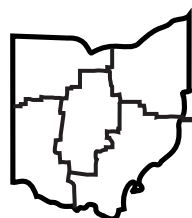
video entry online describing a new, innovative solution for an everyday problem. Finalists will be chosen for demonstrating their passion for science, effective communication skills and spirit of innovation and ingenuity.

**Maximum awards:** \$25,000

**Eligibility:** students in grades five to eight

**Deadline:** April 19

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



## REGIONAL ROUNDUP

by Scott Gerfen, assistant editor

### Region spring conferences set for March

With many opportunities to network, learn and honor, OSBA's region conferences host hundreds of board members, administrators, students and guests every spring and fall.

The association's five regions — Central, Northeast, Northwest, Southeast and Southwest — are preparing for their spring events in March. The Jan. 22 Briefcase contained conference reservation forms, which also can be found on the OSBA website at [www.ohioschoolboards.org/regions](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/regions). Be sure to click on your respective region where the conference flier will be listed under "Resources" on the upper right corner of the web page.

Ohio Revised Code Section 3315.15 allows board members to

create a service fund that can be used for expenses related to meetings, such as conferences.

OSBA President **Randy Smith**, **Forest Hills Local (Hamilton)**, and OSBA Executive Director **Richard Lewis** will attend each conference and provide association updates. Members of OSBA's Division of Legislative Services also will offer the latest information on state legislation impacting public education.

The March conferences recognize recipients of OSBA's Award of Achievement and Master Board Member honor, a lifetime distinction given to board members who earn 300 Award of Achievement credits over a four-year period.

School board members can earn

five credits toward the Award of Achievement for attending a regional conference. More information about the Award of Achievement program is available at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/43085>.

Following are brief previews of what each region has planned for the spring conferences.

### Central Region

The Central Region will hold the first conference on Wednesday, March 7, at Villa Milano Banquet and Conference Center. Region President **Amy Eyman, Lancaster City**, will preside over the evening's agenda, beginning with networking at 5 p.m.

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Lancaster City's Lancaster High School Percussion Ensemble, directed by **Bruce Gerken**, will perform during dinner at 6:15 p.m. **Mike Nicholson**, senior director, research at Battelle for Kids, is the keynote speaker for the program, which begins at 7 p.m.

Nicholson has a wealth of knowledge and experience in standards-based education, instructional leadership and using value-added analysis to inform teaching and learning, according to the Battelle for Kids website ([www.battelleforkids.org](http://www.battelleforkids.org)). He most recently served as superintendent of Glenview School

District 34 in Glenview, Ill. He also was the executive director of secondary learning for **Olentangy Local (Delaware)**.

Outstanding programs and schools, and veteran board members will be honored at the conference.

The cost to attend is \$40 per person. Make your reservation at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/crspring2018> or email your reservation to **Melanie Price**, senior administrative assistant of communication services, at [mprice@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:mprice@ohioschoolboards.org). The reservation deadline is Wednesday, Feb. 28. For more information, contact Regional Manager **Kim**

**Miller-Smith** at (614) 635-1926 or [kmillersmith@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:kmillersmith@ohioschoolboards.org).

## Northeast Region

The Northeast Region will hold two conferences. The first event is Thursday, March 22, at **Trumbull Career & Technical Center** in Warren, followed by the second conference on Wednesday, March 28, at **Parma City's** Parma Senior High School.

Region President **Karen Dendorfer**, Parma City, will oversee activities at both conferences, which begin with networking at 5 p.m. **Warren City's** Warren G. Harding High School Madrigal Singers will provide entertainment at the career center event, and a musical group from Parma City will perform at the March 28 conference.

Dendorfer will welcome attendees at 6:15 p.m., followed by dinner. The program begins at 7 p.m.

Honorees include Ohio Teacher of the Year nominees; Ohio Department of Education (ODE) Momentum schools, Schools of Honor and All-A recognitions; National Blue Ribbon Schools; and veteran board members. The Friend of Public Education award will be presented at the March 22 event, and the President's Award of Excellence recipient will be recognized March 28.

The cost is \$35 per person. Reserve your spot online at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/nnespring2018Warren> for the March

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22 conference or <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/nespring2018> Parma for the March 28 event.

Reservations also can be emailed to Price at [mprice@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:mprice@ohioschoolboards.org). The deadline to RSVP is Monday, March 19, for Warren and Monday, March 26, for Parma. For more information, contact Price at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA.

### Northwest Region

The Northwest Region will hold its spring conference at **Spencerville Local's (Allen) Spencerville High School** on Thursday, March 8. Region President **Penny Kill**, Spencerville Local and **Apollo Career Center**, will preside.

The conference, titled Celebrating our hometown heroes, begins at 5 p.m. with networking and a silent auction benefitting the Bonnie Eddy Educational Support and Book Grant. Dinner is at 6 p.m. and will be prepared by the Apollo Career Center Culinary Arts Program with music provided by Spencerville Local students.

Awards and recognitions will be given to the 2017 region president; 2018 Ohio Teacher of the Year finalist; 2017 Capital Conference Student Achievement Fair participants; ODE Momentum schools and Schools of Honor; and the Northwest Region Excellence in Community Service, Northwest Region Who's Who Excellence in Outstanding Leadership and Northwest Region Humanitarian award recipients.

The Neil Pohlmann Award of Excellence will be presented by the

family of the late Dr. **Neil Pohlmann**.

Reservations cost \$30 per person or \$160 for a table of six. The cost is \$20 for students and their parents. The deadline to RSVP is Friday, Feb. 23. For questions, contact Regional Manager Dr. **Judy Jackson May** at (419) 581-9782 or [jjacksonmay@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:jjacksonmay@ohioschoolboards.org).

### Southeast Region

Two spring conferences will be held in the Southeast Region. The first event is Tuesday, March 20, at **Portsmouth City's Portsmouth High School**, followed by the second conference on Tuesday, March 27, at the **Coshocton County Career Center**.

Region President **Kim Harless**, **Jackson City**, will oversee activities at both events, which begin with networking at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner. Portsmouth City's Portsmouth High School Band will provide entertainment at the Portsmouth event and **River View Local's (Coshocton) River View High School Jazz** and Caribbean Bands will play at the career center conference.

Honorees include Student Achievement Fair participants; ODE Momentum schools and Schools of Honor; a Teacher of the Year finalist; and veteran board members. Immediate Past President **Michael Fador**, **St. Clairsville-Richland City** and **Belmont-Harrison Career Center**, will be recognized at the March 20 event.

Reservations are \$38 per person.

The deadline to RSVP is Friday, March 16, for Portsmouth and Friday, March 23, for Coshocton. Contact Regional Manager **Paul D. Mock** at (740) 469-2724 or [pmock@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:pmock@ohioschoolboards.org) with questions.

### Southwest Region

**Warren County Career Center** in Lebanon will host the Southwest Region Spring Conference on Tuesday, March 13. Region President **Scott Huddle**, **Mad River Local (Montgomery)**, will lead the conference, which begins at 5 p.m. with networking.

Mad River Local's Stebbins High School Jazz Band, directed by **Kenny Carpenter**, will entertain attendees, and **Springboro Community City's Springboro High School Air Force Jr. ROTC color guard**, instructed by Master Sgt. **Michael Thiergart**, will present the colors.

Dinner begins at 6 p.m. followed by the program. The region's 2017 effective school boards will be honored, and Special Recognition Program awards will be presented to outstanding staff members.

**Jason Streiff**, program manager of STARBASE Wright-Patt in the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base Educational Outreach Office, will receive the 2018 President's Award.

The cost to attend is \$38 per person, and the deadline for reservations is Wednesday, March 7. Regional Manager **Ronald J. Diver** can answer questions at (937) 634-9025 or [rdiver@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:rdiver@ohioschoolboards.org).





## LEGISLATIVE REPORT

by Jay Smith, deputy director of legislative services

### Senate panel adopts changes to Public School Deregulation Act

Senate Bill (SB) 216, sponsored by Sen. **Matt Huffman** (R-Lima), continues to receive hearings in the Senate Education Committee. Huffman introduced the legislation following several meetings with school district superintendents in his part of the state.

The bill, called the Public School Deregulation Act, seeks to offer school districts some relief from certain state-mandated requirements. Specific areas addressed in the bill include teacher licensure and aide permits; changes to the Ohio Teacher Evaluation System; testing and assessments; consolidated reporting requirements; the College Credit Plus program; and preschool operating standards.

The Senate Education Committee recently adopted a substitute bill that included several changes from the original version of SB 216. The following is a synopsis of some of the changes included in Substitute (Sub.) SB 216:

**Kindergarten readiness assessment** — The substitute bill reinstates the kindergarten readiness assessment and requires the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) to approve a list of comparable assessments that may be used in lieu of the kindergarten

readiness assessment. The bill states that ODE is to provide the assessment or a comparable assessment for free to any public or chartered nonpublic school. The provision also includes language that reinstates kindergarteners in the third-grade reading guarantee.

**Consolidated reports** — The original bill requires ODE to establish, distribute and monitor a school mandate report for school districts. The bill also requires each district to complete and file an annual school mandate report. If any item on the report was not completed, the district administration would need to provide a written explanation to its board of education. Sub. SB 216 labels this report the consolidated school mandate report and requires each district to provide any additional information ODE may request pertaining to items listed in this section. The report would include information about screening students for hearing, vision, speech, communications, health and medical problems as well as developmental disorders. It would be due annually by Nov. 30.

**Highly qualified teacher** — Federal law no longer includes the highly qualified teacher requirement in core subject areas

related to Title I funding for schools. Sub. SB 216 eliminates from state law the requirement that a teacher of a core subject area be highly qualified.

**Gifted indicator on school report cards** — The substitute bill eliminates current law that requires an indicator for gifted students to be included in Ohio School Report Cards.

**Ohio teacher evaluation system** — The legislation adds municipal school districts (Cleveland Municipal currently is the only one) to the original language in the bill that requires ODE to revise the state framework for teacher evaluations based on recommendations of the Educator Standards Board. The provision would eliminate student academic growth as a factor of an evaluation and prohibits the use of shared attribution.

**Special education preschool staffing** — The substitute bill reinstates current law that requires a ratio of one full-time staff member for every 16 half-day children enrolled in a center-based preschool special education program.

**Educator license grade bands** — The bill would eliminate the middle grade band for students in

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## PUBLIC SCHOOLS WORK!

compiled by Scott Gerfen, assistant editor

### Land bank, career center partner to rejuvenate properties

**Apollo Career Center** instructor **Rodney Wise** has plans for the nearly 60-year-old dilapidated two-story home on Lima's north side.

The first task: Fix the broken steps leading into the unfinished basement.

"I'm really excited for this learning experience," Wise told a local newspaper. "We're anxious to get started."

Thanks to a partnership with the Allen County Land Bank, students will get hands-on experience

flipping residences.

Lima has hundreds of residential and commercial properties sitting empty throughout the city, with 250 of them owned by the Allen County Land Bank. While many of the properties have been torn down thanks to a \$4.5 million grant, others are in foreclosure and structurally sound.

Wise will be working with morning and afternoon classes throughout the year to rejuvenate the home, including the

construction permit process and how to start utility services.

**Hunter Coon**, a 17-year-old **Wapakoneta City** student, looks forward to working with electricity. Wise urges students to pursue their interests.

"I encourage (students) to find their niche, and figure out what they can do," Wise said.

Coon eventually wants to use his skills on his own home rather than hire someone for the repairs.

Source: The Lima News

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grades four through nine and require the State Board of Education to issue licensure according to grades pre-kindergarten through six or grades five through 12.

College Credit Plus — The legislation eliminates the bill's original language that prohibited a student from enrolling in a course at a college campus or online if a comparable course is offered on the campus of the student's secondary school unless the course at the secondary school is full.

Professional development for certain gifted services providers — Sub. SB 216 requires the State Board of Education to consider

professional development hours needed for Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) courses to count as hours toward gifted professional development. The bill also prohibits the State Board of Education from requiring AP or IB teachers to complete gifted professional development unless the teachers will be teaching gifted students.

Provision of gifted services — The legislation includes IB as an option for the type of programs that may be included in service plans for gifted students.

Educator licenses for substitute teaching — Sub. SB 216 requires a substitute teaching applicant to

have a postsecondary degree but not in any specified subject area. In addition, a substitute teacher with a postsecondary degree in education or a subject area directly related to the class he or she is teaching may work for an unlimited number of school days. Those who do not meet this requirement may teach for one full semester, subject to the approval of the school board. The superintendent may request the board to approve one or more additional semester-long periods of teaching.

*Editor's note:* Information in this article was current as of Feb. 2, 2018.

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— RC 3365.04(A).*

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- 1 SchoolComp Workshop.....Perrysburg
- 1 *Last day to take action and deliver written  
notice of nonrenewal of superintendent's  
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3317.03(A).*

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- 9 *Last day for voter registration for May  
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- 11 OSBA Master of Transportation  
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- 29 Southeast Region Executive Committee  
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- 30 *Last day to submit certification for August  
income tax levy to Ohio Department of  
Taxation — RC 5748.02(A) (100 days prior  
to the election).*

## May

- 2 OSBA Master of Transportation  
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- 2 Northeast Region Executive Committee  
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- 4 *Last day to submit August emergency or  
current operating expenses levy to county  
auditor for August election — RC 5705.194,  
5705.195, 5705.213 (95 days prior to the  
election).*
- 8 *Special Election Day; Primary Election  
Day — RC 3501.01 (first Tuesday after first  
Monday).*