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## OSBA announces significant change to Capital Conference schedule

There will be a major change to this year's Capital Conference, with the conference being adjusted to three days from four. Wednesday is being eliminated, and more learning sessions are being added to Sunday. This year's event will run Nov. 12-14. This decision was made based on discussions over the past two years with the Board of Trustees and the Capital Conference Planning Task Force, along with numerous evaluations and decreasing attendance on Wednesday. OSBA believes a three-day conference will benefit members by reducing the days spent out of the office and limiting hotel expenses without diminishing the educational experience. For more information, contact OSBA or visit http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org.

## State Board of Education elects new president, vice president

The State Board of Education voted unanimously last month to elect **Tess Elshoff** as its new president and **Nancy Hollister** as vice president. Elshoff, an at-large member, served as board vice president for the past two years under former president **Tom Gunlock**. She is a former **New Knoxville Local (Auglaize)** school board member and was appointed to the State Board in 2011 by Gov. **John R. Kasich**. Hollister, a Kasich appointee in 2016, won election to her District 8 seat in November. She became Ohio's first female governor between late 1998, when **Gov. George V. Voinovich** left Ohio for the U.S. Senate, and January 1999, when Gov. **Bob Taft** took office.

## Share your concerns with legislators at Statehouse conference

The State Legislative Conference provides an outstanding opportunity for local school districts to share their concerns with state legislators and other policymakers. Set for March 15 in the Ohio Statehouse Atrium, 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/70249.

## Registration opens for 2017 Board Leadership Institute

Registration has begun for the 2017 OSBA Board Leadership Institute, set for April 21-22 in Columbus. The comprehensive training event — offered exclusively to school board members — provides a wealth of professional development and networking opportunities for every level of board experience. It features keynote speakers, breakout sessions in multiple learning tracks and breakfast and luncheons. For more information, visit <a href="http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/33166">http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/33166</a> or contact OSBA.

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## Ohio School Plan offering playground inspector course

Ohio School Plan is hosting a certified playground safety inspector training course in April. The National Recreation and Park Association is conducting the certification program. For details, visit https://swbuckeye.com. Ohio School Plan, governed by school officials, works to meet the needs of Ohio public schools by providing quality, affordable and innovative insurance and risk management programs.

## Schools needed to host summer meal programs

To increase summer meal program participation, the Ohio Department of Education is urging local nonprofit agencies, including schools, to become sponsors or sites by providing free meals to children. Sponsoring organizations are reimbursed for the costs of nutritious meals and snacks. Those

## Rope-jumping students help heart association

Students at **Canfield Local**'s **(Mahoning)** C.H. Campbell Elementary School are showing off their rope-jumping skills this month to help in the fight against heart disease.

The school's Jump Rope for Heart event has raised more than \$100,000 over the past 20 years for the American Heart Association, including \$10,000 last year.

Principal **Travis Lavery** told a local newspaper that this year's event has a special significance. First-grader **Xavier Tomko** recently underwent heart surgery, and music teacher **Michael Fay** recently fully recovered from his heart surgery.

"We have kids, staff, family and friends who are affected by heart disease, and this is a great way to give back," Lavery said.

Source: The Vindicator

interested should complete a survey at http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/40117 no later than March 3.

## Association launches 2017 Business Honor Roll program

It's time for school districts to select businesses to recognize for

supporting their local schools. The OSBA Business Honor Roll offers districts a way to thank these firms for their contributions and helps them maintain and build upon the help they receive from their local business community. OSBA encourages districts to name supportive companies and organizations to the Business Honor Roll. For details, visit http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/39803 or contact Wanda Bloch at (614) 540-4000 or wbloch@ohioschoolboards.org.



## Briefcase

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## **OSBA** online

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OSBA is now on LinkedIn, the business and employment-oriented social networking site. Be sure to follow us at http://links.ohio schoolboards.org/19530 for news about the association, professional development and public education and to network with colleagues. And if you don't already, follow OSBA on Facebook and Twitter.



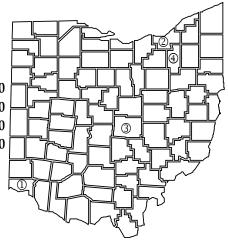
## **BULLETIN BOARD**

compiled by Melanie Price, senior administrative assistant of communication services

## **OSBA** executive searches

## **Treasurer**

District	Deadline	Contact
① Deer Park Community City	Feb. 16	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000
② Cuyahoga Falls City	March 10	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000
③ Heath City	March 14	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000
<b>4</b> Stow-Munroe Falls City	March 15	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000



## Other searches

Position	District	Deadline	Contact
Superintendent	Green Local (Wayne)	Feb. 23	Mark Dickerhoof, treasurer, Green Local, (330) 669-3921
Superintendent	Riverdale Local (Hancock)	Feb. 24	Larry J. Busdeker, superintendent, Hancock County ESC, (419) 422-7525,
			ext. 227
Superintendent	West Carrollton City	March 3	Frank DePalma, superintendent,
			Montgomery County ESC, (937) 225-4598
Treasurer	Salem City	Feb. 17	Terri Roberts, administrative assistant,
	•		Salem City, (330) 332-0316, ext. 58250
Treasurer	Revere Local (Summit)	Feb. 28	<b>Steven Farnsworth</b> , leadership selection services, <b>Summit County ESC</b> , (330) 945-5600

## Editor's note

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

## **Board changes**

Bellevue City Board of Education member Diane Streeter announced her resignation effective Jan. 31. ••• Cleveland Municipal appointed Jasmine Fryer to the board effective Jan. 10. ••• Crestview Local (Columbiana) appointed Missy Wellman to the board effective Jan. 18. She replaced John Garwood, who resigned effective Jan. 12 to take a Fairfield Township trustee position. ••• Fairfield City appointed Carrie O'Neal to the board effective Jan. 12. She replaced Jerome E. Kearns, who died. ••• Hillsboro City appointed Larry Lyons to the board effective Jan. 19. He replaced Terry Britton, who resigned to take a Highland County commissioner position. ••• Madison-Plains Local (Madison) appointed Anthoula Xenikis to the board effective Jan. 13. She replaced Dave Hunter, who took a Madison County commissioner position. ••• Mansfield City Board of Education member

Monica W. Hubbard announced her resignation effective Jan. 19.

## Administrative changes

## Superintendents

Danville Local (Knox) Superintendent Dan L. Harper announced his retirement effective Aug. 1. ••• Fremont City Superintendent Dr. Traci L. McCaudy announced her retirement effective July 31. ••• Madison Local (Richland) Superintendent Lee A. Kaple announced his resignation effective July 31. ••• Wilmington City Superintendent Ron **Sexton** announced his retirement effective July 31.

## **Treasurers**

Boardman Local (Mahoning) hired Kimberly Yauman as interim treasurer effective Feb. 13. She replaced L. Greg **Slemons**, who took the treasurer position at **Youngstown City**. Yauman previously was the district's assistant treasurer. ••• Fairfield County ESC Treasurer Teresa L. Thomas announced her resignation effective July 31. ••• Gallipolis City hired **Beth Vollborn** as treasurer effective Jan. 31. She replaced **Ellen Marple**, who retired effective Jan. 31. Vollborn



## **Call for Presentations**

## Nominate a learning session for the 2017 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. 12-14, in Columbus.

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

> > Deadline: March 10, 2017

previously was the district's director of curriculum and instruction. **Revere Local (Summit)** Treasurer David R. Forrest II announced his retirement effective July 31. ●●● Karen E. Dameron retired as Wauseon EV treasurer effective July 31, 2016. ••• Woodmore Local (Sandusky) hired **Dan Russomanno** as treasurer effective Jan. 17. He replaced Jaime **Pearson**, who resigned. Russomanno previously was the treasurer at Mapleton Local (Ashland).

## **Sympathies**

Former Batavia Local (Clermont) Board of Education member Richard Channing Jamieson died Jan. 9. He was 93. ••• Former Bellevue City Board of Education member Irene M. Gerhardstein died Jan. 9. She was 91. ••• Former Bryan City and former Four County Joint Vocational School (now Four County Career Center) Board of Education member Feroen **J. Betts** died Jan. 22. He was 95. ●●● Eugene Homer Bolser, a member of the former Butler County Board of Education, died Jan. 23. He was 93. ••• Former Career & Technology **Education Centers of Licking County** 

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Board of Education member Ronald R. Fuller died Jan. 10. He was 83. ••• Former Crestview Local (Van Wert) Board of Education member James L. Thomas died Jan. 17. He was 89. ••• Former Elmwood Local (Wood) Treasurer Ruth Selby died Jan. 15. She was 94. ••• Former Fayetteville-Perry Local (Brown) Superintendent Charles Edward Bates Sr. died Jan. 20. He was 92. ••• Former Firelands Local (Lorain) Board of Education member B. Luella Tuttle died Jan. 14. She was 94. ••• Former Green Local (Wayne) Board of Education member Arden Ramseyer died Jan. 10. He was 89. ••• Former Mariemont City Board of Education member Richard Hackney Ward died Jan. 25. He was 93. ••• Former Middletown City Board of Education member Betty Nein died Jan. 25. She was 95. ••• Former Northeastern Local (Clark) Superintendent Carl R. Frazier Jr. died Jan. 10. He was 85. ••• Former Northwest Local (Stark) Board of Education member Ray Gesaman died Jan. 19. He was 46. ••• Former Riverside Local (Logan) Board of Education member Jenean Jackson died Jan. 19. She was 81. ••• Former Southern Local (Columbiana) Board of Education member Thomas J. Roush died Jan. 7. He was 78. ••• Former United Local (Columbiana) and Columbiana County ESC Board of Education member Elmer R. Stamp died Jan. 24. He was 96. ••• Former Woodmore Local (Sandusky) Assistant Superintendent Robert Eickel died Jan. 22. He was 83.



## **REGIONAL ROUNDUP**

by Scott Gerfen, assistant editor

## Regions plan for spring conference events

Anyone who's ever attended one of OSBA's region conferences can attest to the numerous opportunities for networking, fellowship, learning and recognition at these events.

The association's five regions — Central, Northeast, Northwest, Southeast and Southwest — are preparing to host hundreds of board members, administrators, students and guests for their spring conferences.

OSBA President **Denise Baba**, **Streetsboro City**, and OSBA Executive Director **Richard Lewis** will attend each conference and provide association updates. Members of OSBA's Division of Legislative Services will provide up-to-date information on the

state's biennial budget.

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

The regions host conferences annually in the spring and fall. 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.

The Jan. 23 Briefcase contained conference reservation

forms, which also can be found on the OSBA website at www.ohioschoolboards.org/ regions. Be sure to click on your respective region where the conference flier will be listed under "Downloads."

Note that 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 the conferences.

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

## **Central Region**

The Central Region kicks off the spring conference schedule on

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# Celebrate the stars in your district at the CSBA Student Achievement Fair Tuesday, Nov. 14, 2017 · 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. · Greater Columbus Convention Center

The OSBA Capital Conference Student Achievement Fair highlights outstanding student performance groups and fresh, innovative initiatives from school districts across the state.

## Student Achievement Fair performing groups

OSBA will choose one school district performing group from each of the association's five regions to perform during the Student Achievement Fair. Past performing groups have included choirs, bands, orchestras, percussion ensembles and cheerleaders. Each group will perform for 20 minutes. To nominate a performing group, submit a nomination at <a href="http://conference.">http://conference.</a>
ohioschoolboards.org/saf-nominations and email an electronic video audition or YouTube link to Gwen Samet, administrative associate of search services, at gsamet@ohioschoolboards.org. Only electronic recordings will be accepted. The nomination deadline is Friday, June 23.



## Student Achievement Fair district programs



OSBA is accepting nominations for district programs. These programs showcase exemplary programs that improve student achievement. Examples of district programs in the Student Achievement Fair include one-to-one technology programs, STEM engineering for middle grades, workforce exchange programs and career center culinary arts programs. For more ideas, visit <a href="http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/60021">http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/60021</a> to view the list of 2016 Student Achievement Fair district programs.

One hundred programs highlighting student achievement will be selected. While multiple programs may be submitted for consideration,

no more than two per district will be selected, so districts should prioritize their submissions. Nominate a district program at http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org/saf-nominations.

District programs will be showcased in a 10-by-10-foot booth, which can accommodate up to five people. Nominations will be accepted until all booths have been filled. Please note: Internet access IS NOT provided with your booth. If you need internet access, you can purchase it from the convention center. The 2016 daily rate for Wi-Fi was \$99 per device. You will need a credit card to make the purchase.



## Have questions?

If you have questions about nominating a student performing group or district program, contact **Gwen Samet** (gsamet@ohioschoolboards.org) or **Teri Morgan** (tmorgan@ohioschoolboards.org) at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA.

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

## Stay up-to-date with the latest legal publications

Ohio's most comprehensive school law publication has been revised for 2017. Written by Kimball H. Carey, the 2017 Ohio School Law Guide, a four-volume set, offers basic, easy-to-understand interpretations of Ohio statutes and regulations that govern public school operations.

Also revised is the 2017 Ohio School Law Manual. This convenient version contains interpretive text that appears in the Ohio School Law Guide. The handbook is a perfect reference for anyone involved with education.

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2017 Ohio School Law Manual		\$196*	\$206		
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## Questions about workers' comp rates?

## Get answers at the 2017 Spring SchoolComp Workers' Compensation 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 sites around Ohio, from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. While there is no fee, registration is requested to accommodate those attending.

### **Agenda**

8 a.m. Registration and continental breakfast

8:15 a.m. Welcome and introductions

Tony Sharrock, manager, client services, CompManagement; Van D. Keating, director of management services, OSBA; Kim Laugherty, director of membership services, Ohio Association of School Business Officials

Third-party administrator updates — Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC)

Learn about recent and ongoing BWC initiatives that have a direct impact on a school's budget.

Tony Sharrock

Unemployment compensation – reasonable

assurance

Hear about reasonable assurance and how, when and why it should be offered. Roger Baker, supervisor, Unemployment Compensation Division, Sedgwick Claims Management Services Inc.

### **Break**

Managed care organization updates

BWC recently enacted new rules designed to better control prescription medications in workers' compensation claims. Review this topic and explore approaches to engage with the medical provider community for closer partnerships and accountability.

Lance Watkins, vice president, client services,

Lance Watkins, vice president, client services, CompManagement Health Systems Inc.

10:30 a.m. Safety training session 1

11:30 a.m. Safety training session 212:30 p.m. Closing

Tony Sharrock

You can register on the Ohio Association of School Business Officials website at **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. 27

Hilton Garden Inn Dayton South, Miamisburg

Thursay, March 2

Owens Community College, Findlay

Friday, March 3

Northeast Ohio Medical University, Rootstown

Tuesday, March 14

Ohio University Inn and Conference Center, Athens

**Thursday, March 16**OSBA office. Columbus



8:20 a.m. Registration and continental breakfast

8:50 a.m. Welcome

9 a.m. ODE update

Hear about updates and initiatives at the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) Office for Exceptional Children, including new guidance materials for districts and more.

Jessica Dawso, associate director, Office for

Exceptional Children, ODE

10 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. Special education emerging topics

Fry v. Napoleon Community Schools and Endrew F. v. Douglas County School District; twice-exceptional students; AngelSense devices and cameras in special education classrooms — Learn about these and other emerging topics in special education.

Jennifer A. Hardin, deputy director of legal services, OSBA

11:15 a.m. Panel discussion — OCR and special education services for students with limited English

proficiency

Learn from experts dealing with an emerging topic that has become a major focal point for the U.S. Department of Education Office for Civil Rights (OCR) – special education services for students whose families have limited English proficiency. Wanda Lillis, Esq., assistant legal counsel, Columbus City; and Janet Gillig, executive director of student services, ESC of Central Ohio

12:15 p.m. Lunch (provided)

1 p.m. Transition planning — what's the next step?

For students with disabilities, the move from secondary school to adulthood requires considerable planning and support. Discover transition services and how school districts play a key role in helping students take the next step in their lives.

Jeremy J. Neff, Esq., Ennis Britton Co. LPA, Cincinnati; and Melissa Marsh, director of diverse learners, Washington Court House City

2 p.m. Break

2:15 p.m. Discipline and behavior management for

students in special education

Discipline and behavior management for students with special needs is a complicated subject.

Discuss recent changes and best practices to help schools provide safe and effective behavior intervention procedures.

Taryn A. Weiss, Esq., Pepple & Waggoner Ltd., Cleveland

3:15 p.m. Adjourn

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Management Development Series #1:

## Administrator salaries and performance incentives: Current trends

Tuesday, March 7 • 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. OSBA office, Columbus Cost is \$95



Two confusing issues for boards of education are understanding administrator salary structures and offering performance incentives. Both topics are unique in that multiple options exist, yet boards continually ask for something new, better or more effective. **Jeff Rahmberg** of Rahmberg, Stover & Associates LLC, and OSBA Director of Management Services **Van D. Keating** will explain the theory and practice of administrator salary schedules, how schedules are developed, the importance of accurate comparisons and how to make transitions from one schedule to another. Similarly, performance incentives for administrators have both theoretical and practical aspects that districts need to carefully understand before adopting them. Attendees can discuss these topics and share unique questions or situations that exist in their district.

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



## Transportation Financial Reports Workshop

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

This class looks at the data that is collected annually and required to be reported to the state for each public school district's transportation operation. Review what needs to be collected and best practices for collection; how it gets reported; and what forms need to be filled out and at what time during the year. Look at how that data is converted into transportation funding for public schools for both regular education and special education transportation services.

Whether you are new to transportation or a veteran, if you want to make certain you are filing correctly to get all the funding your district is entitled to, this course is for you.

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



## State Legislative Conference

Wednesday, March 15 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The State Legislative Conference provides school board members, administrators and treasurers a great venue to meet with their state legislators and discuss issues impacting public education. It is 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 in 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 their 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** or contact **Laurie Miller**, OSBA senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org.

Statehouse Atrium, Columbus
Cost is \$135

Agenda	
8:30 a.m.	Registration

9 a.m. Lobbyists' briefing on key issues

Damon Asbury, director of legislative services; Jay Smith, deputy director of legislative services; and Jennifer Hogue, lobbyist, OSBA; Tom Ash, director of governmental relations, Buckeye Association of School Administrators; and Barbara Shaner, associate executive director, Ohio Association of School Business Officials

10 a.m. Legislative leadership perspectives

Senate President Larry Obhof (R-Medina); House Speaker Cliff Rosenberger (R-Clarksville); Senate Minority Leader Joe Schiavoni (D- Boardman); and House Minority Leader Fred Strahorn (D-Dayton)

11 a.m. Budget leadership perspectives

House Finance Chairman Ryan Smith (R-Bidwell) and Senate Finance Committee representative

Noon Lunch with your legislators

1 p.m. Personal meetings with your legislators

Contact your legislators to schedule an appointment prior to the conference.

## OSBA Cyberlaw 2017



## Technology and the law seminar

Friday, March 17, 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. OSBA office, Columbus Cost is \$155

8:30 a.m. Registration and continental breakfast

8:50 a.m. Welcome

9 a.m. Website accessibility: Is your district prepared?

The federal Office for Civil Rights has started examining if district websites are compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. An OSBA attorney leads attendees through the compliance measures to consider and potential options for making necessary changes

Sara C. Clark, director of legal services, OSBA

9:45 a.m. Sexting and Title IX

Preventing sexting among students calls for close cooperation between law enforcement and school administrators. Learn how to work together to investigate these difficult cases and fulfill your Title IX obligations. *Melissa M. Carleton, Esq., Bricker & Eckler LLP* 

10:45 a.m. Break

11 a.m. Upgrading your district's acceptable use

Ensure that your district has a comprehensive and current acceptable use policy (AUP). Learn how to set policies and effectively enforce your AUP.

Christine T. Cossler, Esq., Walter Haverfield LLP

Noon Lunch (provided)

12:45 p.m. District data breaches

Districts are vulnerable to outside hacking, in-house errors and technology gaps that open them up to the consequences of a data breach. Focusing on both preventive and responsive measures, this session will help you create and evaluate your data breach and response plan.

Matt Williams, chief information security officer,

Ohio Department of Education

1:30 p.m. Break

1:45 p.m. Vetting educational apps and other online

content

This session pairs a district technology coordinator with a school attorney to offer a suggested approach for vetting online software and apps prior to their use in the classroom.

Roger Saffle, technology coordinator, Highland Local (Medina); and John E. Britton, Esq., Ennis

Britton Co. LPA

2:45 p.m. Adjourn

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Central Region Northeast Region Northwest Region

Monday, March 6 Wednesday, March 22 Thursday, March 9

Southeast Region Southeast Region **Southwest Region**  Tuesday, March 21 Thursday, March 30 Tuesday, March 14

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.

Central Region, March 6

Villa Milano, Columbus

Cost: \$40, or \$320 for a table seating eight

Reservation deadline: Feb. 27 Contact: Kim Miller-Smith

Central regional manager 1930 Blenford Court Reynoldsburg, OH 43068

Phone: (614) 635-1926

kmillersmith@ohioschoolboards.org Email:

Northeast Region, March 22

Springvale Golf Course & Ballroom, North

Olmsted Cost: \$35

Reservation deadline: March 17

Make your reservation online at http://links.

ohioschoolboards.org/nespring2017

Contact: Melanie Price, senior administrative assistant of communication services,

8050 N. High St., Ste. 100 Columbus, OH 43235

(800) 589-OSBA Phone:

mprice@ohioschoolboards.org Email:

Northwest Region, March 9

Apollo Career Center, Lima

Cost: \$30, or \$160 for a table seating six

Reservation deadline: Feb. 24 Contact: Dr. Judy Jackson May

Northwest regional manager 1513 Cobblestone Drive Bowling Green, OH 43402

(419) 581-9782 Phone: Fax: (419) 372-8448

Email: jjacksonmay@ohioschoolboards.org Southeast Region, March 21

Jackson High School, Jackson

Cost: \$38

Reservation deadline: March 17

Contact: Paul D. Mock

Southeast regional manager

685 E. Main St.

Logan, OH 43138-1737

Phone: (740) 469-2724 (740) 380-2487 Fax:

Email: pmock@ohioschoolboards.org

Southeast Region, March 30

Philo High School, Duncan Falls

Cost: \$38

Reservation deadline: March 24

Contact: Paul D. Mock

Southeast regional manager

685 E. Main St.

Logan, OH 43138-1737

(740) 469-2724 Phone: Fax: (740) 380-2487

Email: pmock@ohioschoolboards.org

Southwest Region, March 14

Warren County Career Center, Lebanon

Cost: \$38

Reservation deadline: March 8

Contact: Ronald J. Diver

Southwest regional manager 8797 Meadowlark Drive Franklin, OH 45005

Phone: (937) 634-9025

Email: rdiver@ohioschoolboards.org

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Monday, March 6, at Villa Milano Banquet and Conference Center. Region President Lee Schreiner, South-Western City, will preside over activities beginning with networking at 5 p.m.

South-Western City's Grove City High School String Quarter will perform during dinner at 6:15 p.m. Ohio Teacher of the Year Dustin Weaver, Chillicothe City's Chillicothe High School, is the keynote speaker for the program, which begins at 7 p.m.

Weaver serves as the high school's English department coordinator, activity director, attendance counselor, freshman class advisor and mentor for beginning teachers in Ohio's Resident Educator program. He also partners with Ohio University-Chillicothe to improve teacher preparation programs.

Weaver completed a master's degree in educational leadership from Ohio University. At Ohio State University, he earned a master's degree in secondary English education as well as bachelor's degrees in English education and psychology.

The conference will honor outstanding board members, programs and schools, and veteran board members.

The cost to attend is \$40 per person or \$320 for a table of eight. The reservation deadline is Monday, Feb. 27. For more information, contact Regional Manager **Kim Miller-Smith** at (614) 635-1926 or kmillersmith@ ohioschoolboards.org.

## **Northeast Region**

Springvale Golf Course & Ballroom in North Olmsted will host the Northeast Region conference on Wednesday, March 22. Region President Terry Groden, North Olmsted City, will preside over the event, which begins with networking at 5 p.m.

North Olmsted City's North Olmsted High School Choir and Band will perform during dinner at 6:25 p.m.

The program, which begins at 7:15 p.m., will recognize Ohio Teacher of the Year nominees, veteran board members and Northeast Region National Blue Ribbon Schools.

Groden's presentation of the President's Award of Excellence

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OSBA is accepting applications for the 2017 OSBA Black Caucus Leo Lucas Scholarship, a program that provides graduating ethnically and culturally diverse high school seniors funds for college. The program is named for the late **Leo Lucas**, a **Dayton City** school board member and educator who founded the caucus.

Visit http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/72987 to download an application. The application deadline is March 3.

For more information, contact Van D. Keating or Damon Asbury at (614) 540-4000 or vkeating@ohioschoolboards.org or dasbury@ohioschoolboards.org.



## Leo Lucas scholarship deadline is March 3

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will conclude the program.

The cost is \$35 per person, and the reservation deadline is Friday, March 17. Reserve your spot online at http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/nespring2017 or contact Melanie Price, senior administrative assistant of communication services, at (800) 889-OSBA, (614) 540-4000 or mprice@ohioschoolboards.org.

## **Northwest Region**

The Northwest Region will hold its spring conference at **Apollo Career Center** in Lima on Thursday, March 9. Region President **Robert McPheron**, **Bath Local (Allen)**, will preside.

Titled Celebrating our hometown heroes, the conference begins at 5:30 p.m. with networking. Dinner at 6 p.m. will be prepared by members of the Apollo Career Center Culinary Arts Program and Carrie Hamilton, culinary arts manager. Seneca East Local's (Seneca) Seneca High School Jazz Band, directed by Dana Willman, will entertain attendees.

Awards and recognitions will be given to region Immediate Past President Jaimie L. Beamer, Seneca East Local and Vanguard-Sentinel Career and Technology Centers; 2016 Capital Conference Student Achievement Fair participants; and the Northwest Region Excellence in Community Service, Northwest Region Who's Who Excellence in Outstanding Leadership and Northwest Region Humanitarian award

recipients.

Dr. Paul R. Lockwood II, North Point ESC and EHOVE Career Center, will present the Neil Pohlmann Award of Excellence, along with the family of the late 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. 24. For questions, contact Regional Manager Dr. **Judy Jackson May** at (419) 581-9782 or jjacksonmay@ohioschoolboards. org.

## **Southeast Region**

Two spring conferences will be held in the Southeast Region. The first event is Tuesday, March 21, at **Jackson City**'s Jackson High School, followed by the second conference on Thursday, March 30, at **Franklin Local**'s **(Muskingum)** Philo High School in Duncan Falls.

Region President Michael Fador, St. Clairsville-Richland City and Belmont-Harrison Career Center, will oversee activities at both events, which begin with networking at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner.

Honorees include Student Achievement Fair participants and veteran board members. Region Immediate Past President **Bruce D. Nottke**, **Athens City** and **Tri-County Career Center**, will be recognized at the March 21 event.

Reservations are \$38 per person. The deadline to RSVP is Friday, March 17, for Jackson, and Friday, March 24, for Duncan Falls. Contact Regional Manager **Paul D. Mock** at (740) 469-2724 or pmock@ ohioschoolboards.org with questions.

## **Southwest Region**

Warren County Career Center in Lebanon will host the Southwest Region Spring Conference on Tuesday, March 14. Region President Mark Ewing, Batavia Local (Clermont) and Great Oaks Career Campuses, will lead the conference, which begins at 5 p.m. with networking.

Trotwood-Madison City's
Trotwood-Madison Middle School
Choir, directed by Herbert
Jackson, 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 2016 effective school boards will be recognized and Special Recognition Program awards will be presented to outstanding staff members.

**Evans Nwankwo**, president and CEO of Megen Construction Co. Inc. and founder of the Nuway Foundation, will receive the 2017 President's Award.

The cost to attend is \$38 per person, and the deadline for reservations is Wednesday, March 8. Regional Manager **Ronald J. Diver** can answer questions at (937) 634-9025 or rdiver@ ohioschoolboards.org.



## **FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

compiled by Angela Penquite, managing editor

## Presidential awards for math and science teaching

The Presidential Awards for 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 award: \$10,000 Eligibility: seventh- to 12-grade mathematics and science (including computer science) teachers who teach at least 50% of the time and have taught full time for at least five years prior to the 2016-17 school year Deadline: nominations due April 1; application due May 1 Contact: www.paemst.org

**Grant for chemistry teachers** 

The ACS-Hach High School
Chemistry Grant is awarded to
high school chemistry teachers
seeking funds to support ideas that
transform classroom learning,
foster student development and
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equipment and supplies;
instructional materials;
professional development; studentconducted field studies; or
student-led science outreach
events.

Maximum award: \$1,500 Eligibility: high school chemistry teachers

Deadline: April 14

Contact: http://links.ohioschool

boards.org/49759

## Rewarding young leaders

The Gloria Barron Prize for Young Heroes honors outstanding young leaders who have made a significant positive difference to people and our planet. Nominees must have been the prime mover of a service activity and demonstrated positive spirit and high moral purpose in accomplishing their goals. Candidates must be nominated by responsible adults who have solid knowledge of the young person's heroic activities and are not related to the nominee.

Maximum award: \$5,000 Eligibility: youth ages 8-18

Deadline: April 15

Contact: www.barronprize.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 award**: \$25,000

Eligibility: students in grades five

to eight

Deadline: April 19

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## LEGISLATIVE REPORT

by Jay Smith, deputy director of legislative services

## Governor previews school-funding budget proposals

On Jan. 30, Gov. John R. Kasich outlined his executive budget recommendations for fiscal years (FY) 2018 and 2019. As of this writing, the bill language and school district simulations were not yet available. Following are highlights of the governor's proposal now before the House of Representatives as it impacts the Ohio school-funding formula.

The only change being proposed to the foundation formula falls within the transportation category. The proposal seeks to make an adjustment to the pupil transportation formula by reducing the minimum state share percentage from 50% to 37.5% in

FY 2018 and to 25% in FY 2019. According to **Tim Keen**, Ohio Office of Budget and Management director, this change is intended to better target state resources to districts with lower capacity.

The following proposal will impact districts that are on the guarantee under the new proposal. The guarantee basically prevents a district's state aid from falling below a previous year's amount.

Under the proposal, the guarantee, also called transitional aid, is being reduced on a sliding scale for districts that have experienced at least a 5% decline in student population over a five-year period beginning in FY 2011.

For example, a school district that has a decline in enrollment of 6% would receive a 1% reduction in its guarantee base from the FY 2017 level to 99% in FY 2018.

The incremental reductions apply to a maximum of 5% for any district with a decline of 10% or more in enrollment. For example, a district with a 17% loss in enrollment over a five-year period beginning in FY 2011 would have 95% of its guarantee funded. Districts with less than a 5% enrollment loss will not have a reduction in their guarantee base.

The gain cap is being recommended to be set at 5% each Continued on page 10



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## **PUBLIC SCHOOLS WORK!**

compiled by Scott Gerfen, assistant editor

## Students' service project leads to tutoring program

When three students at **Graham Local**'s **(Champaign)** Graham High School noticed their peers were struggling in class, they had an idea about how to help.

Last fall, senior **Kaityln Spriggs**, junior **Thomas Frost** and sophomore **Lacie Smith** started the Tutoring Corner, a program that has since expanded to the district's middle and elementary schools.

"I think people are starting to realize it's OK to need help; nobody's perfect, and it makes your grades go higher," Spriggs told a local newspaper.

The trio started the tutoring program to fulfill a service project requirement for their Leadership and Community Engagement class, which is part of the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America curriculum.

Only three classmates needed help at the Tutoring Corner's first meeting in October. Now more than 30 high school students are being tutored by 40 of their peers. Frost, who is in charge of the elementary school initiative, has more than 40 students who are being tutored by eight high school students after class.

"We know there are students who need help," said Frost, who wants to pursue a career in teaching. "Sometimes, I need help, especially when I was a freshman."

Smith plans to launch the middle school program later this semester.

Source: Springfield News-Sun

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year of the biennium. The proposal also seeks to place the capacity aid and transportation supplement components "under" the cap, whereas in the prior budget they were placed "outside" of the cap. This change will limit the amount of funding received by districts on the cap as well as those receiving capacity aid and/or the transportation supplement.

The per-pupil basic aid, or base funding, is unchanged from FY 2017 and set at \$6,000 for FY 2018 and 2019. There also are no changes to tangible personal property tax replacement payments.

Overall, the school foundation formula receives an additional

\$282.9 million over the biennium in new state aid.

Other provisions being proposed in the governor's budget include a \$15 million appropriation to the Straight A Fund in both fiscal years. The Straight A Fund's purpose is to help schools create innovative ideas for improving education. The budget also proposes \$10 million in each fiscal year for the Community Connectors program, which is designed help districts promote community engagement activities.

The governor's budget proposes funding early childhood education at \$70.2 million in each fiscal year and creating a parent choice pilot program to provide parents with options for high-quality early education programs. In addition, the budget continues support for the income-based EdChoice voucher program for fourth- and fifth-grade students who are at or below 200% of the federal poverty level. The provision seeks \$38.4 million in FY 2017 and \$47.7 million in FY 2018.

Watch for continued communication from OSBA as the budget moves through the legislative process in the House. For questions, contact the OSBA legislative division at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA.

*Editor's note*: All information in this article was current as of Feb. 3, 2017.

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