

BRIEF CASE

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Southeast Ohio board member chosen as 2014 OSBA president-elect

The OSBA Board of Trustees has confirmed the Nominating Committee's selection of **Ed Penrod, Logan-Hocking Local (Hocking) and Tri-County Career Center**, as OSBA's 2014 president-elect. The 17-year board veteran will become OSBA president in 2015, following his term as president-elect. Penrod has earned multiple OSBA Awards of Achievement, as well as Master Board Member status. He has served on numerous association committees, including the Board of Trustees, Executive Committee, Federal Relations Network and Southeast Region Executive Committee. He also was Southeast Region president in 2004.

OSBA Board of Trustees member dies in farming accident

Don E. Carpenter, an OSBA trustee and school board member at **Barnesville EV and Belmont-Harrison Career Center**, was fatally injured on Jan. 9 in a tractor accident. He was 72. Carpenter had served on the Barnesville board since 1987 and the career center board since 1989. He served multiple terms as board president and was his districts' OSBA student achievement liaison and legislative liaison. Carpenter demonstrated his commitment to OSBA by also serving as a member of the Federal Relations Network, Delegate Assembly and Southeast Region Executive Committee. OSBA extends its deepest condolences to the Carpenter family.

Governor fills one of four State Board of Education vacancies

Gov. **John Kasich** has appointed Otterbein University administrator **Rebecca Vazquez-Skillings** to an at-large seat on the State Board of Education. She will complete the remaining three years of a seat vacated by **Angela Thi Bennett**, who resigned in July. Vazquez-Skillings is vice president for business affairs at Otterbein. She also has state government experience in finance and administration. Kasich still has three vacancies on the board to fill: one appointed and two elected seats.

Registration under way for 2014 Board Leadership Institute

Registration is open for the 2014 OSBA Board Leadership Institute, May 2-3 in Columbus. This intensive training event offers top-notch professional development and networking opportunities for all levels of school board experience. Veteran board members are encouraged to bring newly elected members of their boards. For more information and to register, visit www.ohioschoolboards.org/board-leadership-institute or contact **Laurie Miller** at (614) 540-4000 or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org.

Reminder: Send board recognition information, photos to OSBA

OSBA wants to help districts around Ohio honor board members by featuring their

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- ☐ Principals
- ☐ Transportation supervisors

January School Board Recognition Month celebrations in the *Journal* and on the OSBA website. Send news and photos of your events to **Crystal Davis** at cdavis@ohioschoolboards.org or 8050 N. High St., Suite 100, Columbus, OH 43235. Materials also can be submitted online at www.ohioschoolboards.org/forms/sbrm.php.

OSBA contingent heading to D.C. to meet with reps

Federal Relations Network (FRN) members and OSBA staff will meet with Ohio's congressional representatives in Washington during the National School Boards Association Advocacy Institute, Feb. 2-4. FRN is a grassroots advocacy network of board members from around the U.S. appointed by their state associations to maintain close contact with their senators and representatives in Washington and

Former 'Simpsons' animator teaching Ohio kids his craft

Worthington City students are learning animation on tablet computers from an instructor with a wealth of experience — a former animator for the TV show “The Simpsons.”

Tom Richner, an associate professor of animation at Columbus College of Art and Design, is teaching an after-school animation class at Worthington Hills Elementary School. The students learn about storyboarding, character design, stop motion and graphic motion through new technology and applications.

The idea for the class was sparked by parents. **Dave Gilley**, a parent who helped develop the class, said the popular course is engaging students and encouraging creativity. “The most important thing is that kids are having fun,” he told a local newspaper.

Source: *ThisWeek Community News*

keep them informed of the school board perspective on education.

SW Region seeks nominations for outstanding staff awards

The OSBA Southwest Region will honor outstanding school district staff members at its March 11 Spring Conference in

Cincinnati. Districts are encouraged to nominate outstanding administrators, classified staff, faculty members, superintendents, treasurers and public relations staff, as well as board members from a neighboring district. The deadline is Feb. 20. Nomination forms are posted at www.ohioschoolboards.org/sw-region in the “Downloads” section. For more information, contact Southwest Regional Manager **Ronald J. Diver** at (937) 746-7641 or rdiver@ohioschoolboards.org.

OSBA online

● www.ohioschoolboards.org

To help members prepare for the Common Core standards, OSBA has posted a number of resources on its website for convenient access. These resources are designed to help districts better understand and implement the standards. Visit www.ohioschoolboards.org/common-core to learn more.



Briefcase

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BULLETIN BOARD

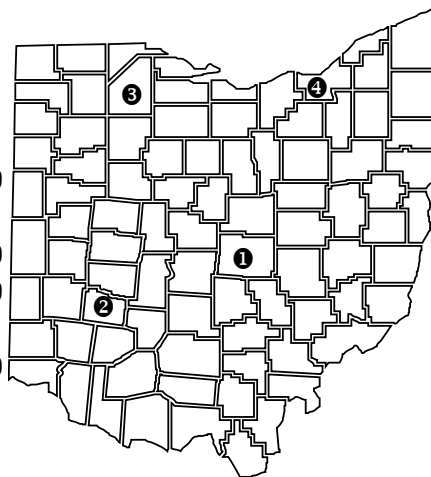
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OSBA executive searches

Superintendent

District	Deadline	Contact
❶ Johnstown-Monroe Local (Licking)	March 1	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000
❷ Xenia Community City	April 14	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000
❸ North Baltimore Local (Wood)	TBD	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000
❹ Fairview Park City	TBD	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000

❶ = Superintendent



National searches

Position	District	Deadline	Contact
Superintendent	Gardner, Mass.	Feb. 6	McPherson & Jacobson LLC, executive recruitment & development, (888) 375-4814

Board changes

Fairview Park City Board of Education member **Tim Mesaros** announced his resignation effective Jan. 6. ●●● **Medina City** Board of Education member **Dr. Karla Robinson** resigned effective Jan. 1. She previously had announced a May 31 resignation date. ●●● **Perrysburg EV** Board of Education member **Barry E. Van Hoozen** announced his resignation effective Dec. 24. He was elected to city council. ●●● **Union-Scioto Local (Ross)** appointed **Brett Fisher** to the board effective Dec. 18. He replaced **Jim Lovensheimer**, who passed away in November.

Administrative changes

Superintendents

Allen County ESC Superintendent **Brian Rockhold** announced his retirement effective June 30. ●●● **Buckeye Central Local (Crawford)** Superintendent **Tara D. Meyerink** announced her resignation effective Jan. 14. The board appointed **Colonel Crawford (Crawford)** Superintendent **W. Todd Martin** as interim superintendent. Martin will maintain his position at Colonel Crawford. ●●● **Buckeye Valley Local (Delaware)** Superintendent **Mark S. Tingley** announced his retirement effective June 1. ●●● **Columbus City** hired Interim Superintendent **Dr. J. Daniel Good** as superintendent effective Jan. 7. ●●● **Fairfield County ESC** hired **Dr. Marie C. Ward** as superintendent effective July 31. She will replace

Editor's note

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

Daniel Montgomery, who is retiring. Ward currently is assistant superintendent of client services at the **ESC of Central Ohio**. ●●● **Kenston Local (Geauga)** Superintendent **Dr. Robert A. Lee** announced his retirement effective Aug. 1. ●●● **Toledo City** hired Interim Superintendent **Dr. Romules Durant** as superintendent effective Dec. 17.

Treasurers

Crestview Local (Van Wert) Treasurer **Laura Metzger** announced her resignation effective March 3. The district hired Administrative Assistant **Ashley Whetsel** as treasurer effective March 3. ●●● **Medina City** hired **Cliff Reinhardt** as interim treasurer effective immediately. He replaced **James M. Hudson**, who took the treasurer position at **Avon Local (Lorain)**. ●●● **Rossford EV** hired **Cathy Schuller** as assistant treasurer effective immediately. She replaced **Cathleen Nusbaum**, who is retiring.

Sympathies

Roland J. Berger, a member of the former **Baltic** Board of Education in Tuscarawas County, died Dec. 15. He was 96. ●●● Former **Barnesville EV** Board of Education member **Richard Merle Kemp** died Dec. 29. He was 73. ●●● Former **Brunswick City** Board of Education member **William J. Eyssen** died Nov. 8. He was 82. ●●● Former **Genoa Area Local (Ottawa)** Board of Education member **James E. Hamilton** died Jan. 3. He was 69. ●●● Former **Gibsonburg EV** Board of Education member **James Allen "Jim" Hickman** died Jan. 13. He was 81. ●●● **Marvin J. Hetrick**, a member of the former **Lindsey** Board of Education in Sandusky County, died Jan. 5. He was 98. ●●● Former **Lisbon EV** Board of Education member **Gary Pike** died Jan. 1. He was 80. ●●● Former **Mathews Local (Trumbull)** Board of Education member **James R. Haun** died Dec. 27. He was 72. ●●● **John A. Kopp**, a former **Minerva Local (Stark)** Board of Education member and

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OSBA Student Achievement Fair

Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2014 • Greater Columbus Convention Center

The OSBA Capital Conference Student Achievement Fair highlights outstanding initiatives from school districts across the state. OSBA is seeking fresh, innovative programs or practices your district is willing to share with thousands of Ohio school district representatives. One hundred programs and practices will be selected based on creativity and impact on student achievement. The fair will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 11 during the OSBA Capital Conference.

Five performing groups from across Ohio will be selected to entertain attendees during the Student Achievement Fair. To be considered, you must submit an audio or video recording of the performing group. DVDs or CDs can be mailed to OSBA or a video or MP3 can be submitted with the online application.

OSBA is now accepting nominations for district programs and performing groups. While multiple programs may be submitted for consideration, no more than two per district will be selected, so districts should prioritize their submissions.

Nominate your district at www.ohioschoolboards.org/saf-nominations. The nomination deadline is June 27.



Save the date

Mark your calendar for these important workshops and webinars.

February 1

Board Presidents Workshop

Northeast Ohio Medical University, Rootstown
\$160, full day

February 1

Board Presidents Workshop

Dayton Marriott, Dayton
\$160, full day

February 6

OSBA Book Club: How Children Succeed webinar #1

Free, webinar

February 8

Board Presidents Workshop

OSBA office, Columbus
\$160, full day

February 8

Board Presidents Workshop

Hilton Garden Inn, Perrysburg
\$160, full day

February 11

A Walkthrough of the New Days-to-hours Requirement

\$35, webinar

February 12

Pupil Transportation Administrator Training Program #3

OSBA office, Columbus
\$90, half day

February 25

Using BoardDocs People Manager to Create and Manage User Accounts

Free, webinar

February 28

School Finance 101: What Board Members Should Know

OSBA office, Columbus
\$150, full day

March 4

SchoolComp Workers' Compensation Workshop

Owens Community College, Findlay
Free, mini workshop

March 5

SchoolComp Workers' Compensation Workshop

Northeast Ohio Medical University, Rootstown
Free, mini workshop

March 5

Repeat: Pupil Transportation Administrator Training Program #1

OSBA office, Columbus
\$90, half day

March 5

OSBA Book Club: How Children Succeed webinar #2

Free, webinar

March 6

Increasing Private Funding for Your School District

OSBA office, Columbus
\$150, full day

March 10

SchoolComp Workers' Compensation Workshop

Ohio University Inn and Conference Center,
Athens
Free, mini workshop

March 13

State Legislative Conference

Ohio Statehouse Atrium
\$130, half day

March 20

SchoolComp Workers' Compensation Workshop

Wyndham Garden Dayton South, Miamisburg
Free, mini workshop

March 21

Special Education Law Workshop

Embassy Suites, Columbus
\$150, full day

March 28

Cyberlaw Seminar

OSBA office, Columbus
\$150, full day

March 31

SchoolComp Workers' Compensation Workshop

OSBA office, Columbus
Free, mini workshop

April 2

OSBA Book Club: How Children Succeed webinar #3

Free, webinar

April 9

Pupil Transportation Administrator Training Program #4

OSBA office, Columbus
\$90, half day

April 24

Management Development Series

OSBA office, Columbus
\$90, half day

May 2-3

Board Leadership Institute

Hilton Polaris, Columbus
\$240, two days

May 7

Pupil Transportation Administrator Training Program #5

OSBA office, Columbus
\$90, half day

June 13

OCSBA Spring Seminar

NorthPointe Hotel and Conference Center,
Lewis Center
\$190, full day

June 20

Sports Law Workshop

Embassy Suites Airport, Columbus
\$150, full day

July 19

New Board Member Workshop

OSBA office, Columbus
\$150, full day

August 1

Attendance, Tuition and Custody Law Workshop

NorthPointe Hotel and Conference Center,
Lewis Center
\$150, full day

August 6

Management Development Series

OSBA office, Columbus
\$90, half day



School Finance 101: What Board Members Should Know

Friday, Feb. 28 at the 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.

8:45 a.m.	Registration and continental breakfast	11 a.m.	Five-year forecasts
9 a.m.	Welcome and overview <i>Damon Asbury, director of legislative services, OSBA</i>	Noon	Lunch
9:15 a.m.	State-funding formula – what school board members need to know <i>Kelly Weir, director of budget and planning, Ohio Department of Education</i>	1 p.m.	Where do I find the information? <i>Jay Smith, lobbyist, OSBA</i>
10:45 a.m.	Break	1:30 p.m.	Levies, levies, levies and local funding <i>Mike Sobul, treasurer, Granville EV</i>
		3 p.m.	Wrap-up and adjourn

Cost is \$150, which includes materials, lunch and refreshments. 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.

Become a better board leader

Attend the Board Presidents Workshop

Two dates and four locations to choose from:

- Saturday, Feb. 1 at the Dayton Marriott in Dayton or Northeast Ohio Medical University in Rootstown
- Saturday, Feb. 8 at the OSBA office in Columbus or Hilton Garden Inn in Perrysburg

The workshops run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.



These workshops, led by experienced OSBA staff, present the tools you need to improve your boardmanship skills and effectively lead your district. You don't have to be the board president to attend; board members looking to increase their leadership skills also can benefit.

School board presidents serve critical leadership roles in their districts. The president is the visible leader of the board and responsible for the efficient and legal operation of board business. Unfortunately, too many board presidents attempt to fulfill these roles by going it alone. They believe on-the-job training is all they need to responsibly lead the board, but it is crucial that you are well-informed and have the skills to carry out your duties effectively. Bring your questions about leadership roles.

Topics to be covered include legal issues affecting board members; effective board meetings; using parliamentary procedure effectively; dealing with controversy and public participation; open meetings and executive sessions; successful communications; working productively as a team; consensus building; and indicators of an effective board. There will be ample time to network with colleagues.

Cost for the workshop is \$160 per board member, and includes a copy of the *Board Presidents' Handbook*. 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.

PUPIL TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATOR TRAINING PROGRAM

This new series of workshops will help those involved in student transportation better understand and perform day-to-day operations.

These half-day workshops will include a working lunch and time for questions. Register online at www.ohioschoolboards.com/workshops or contact Laurie Miller, OSBA senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000; (800) 589-OSBA or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org.



PUPIL TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATOR TRAINING PROGRAM #3 *Driver records/background check/compliance needs*

Wednesday, Feb. 12 • 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. • \$90 • OSBA office, Columbus

No one can afford for anything to “fall through the cracks,” especially in this area. Ohio’s regulations governing school bus driver requirements are among the most detailed in the nation. This seminar will present strategies and methods to achieve and maintain compliance.

PUPIL TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATOR TRAINING PROGRAM #4 *Emergency planning*

Wednesday, April 9 • 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. • \$90 • OSBA office, Columbus

A transportation department must have a viable emergency plan in place. These plans should be documented and include not only the routine crisis incidents that occur in this industry (breakdowns, sick children, minor accidents), but also the major events we hope will never happen. Learn how to identify what should be included in an emergency plan, how to develop the action plans and how to make a plan that anyone can follow, even in your absence.

Did you miss the first session? It will be repeated on March 5: PUPIL TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATOR TRAINING PROGRAM #1 *Rules and laws governing Ohio pupil transportation*

Wednesday, March 5 • 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. • \$90 • OSBA office, Columbus

Ohio schools transport more than 900,000 students daily, using approximately 13,000 school buses. These school buses, which have been repeatedly proven to be the safest form of pupil transportation — nearly 30 times safer than the typical passenger vehicle — travel nearly 1 million miles daily to accomplish this monumental task.

Because of this and other factors, pupil transportation is one of the most regulated services nationwide, as well as in Ohio. Recently, changes were enacted in a number of the administrative rules, as well as in the Ohio Revised Code through House Bill 59. This workshop will explore the various federal and state regulations that transportation administrators need to be familiar with to ensure that their student transportation is safe, dependable and compliant with both laws and best practices.

Join OSBA school transportation services staff for a fast-paced, in-depth discussion of current laws and best practices used throughout the state.



Increasing Private Funding for Your School District

Thursday, March 6
OSBA office, Columbus

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Cost is \$150

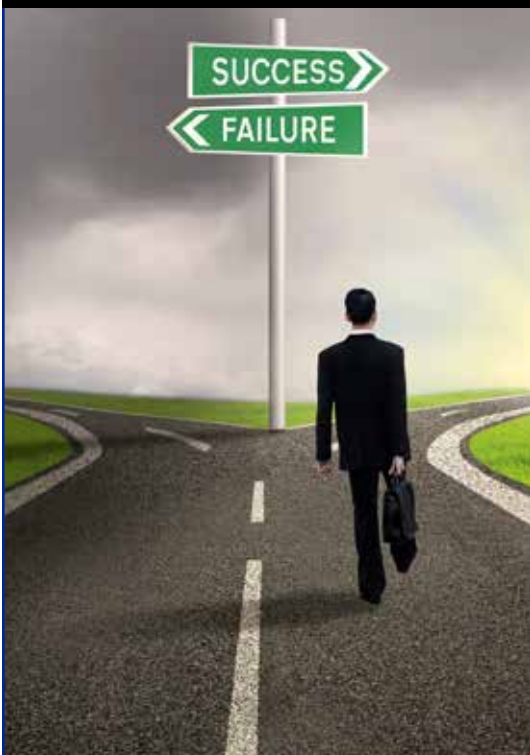
Are you concerned about the future of school funding? Looking for new funding sources for your school district?

Get answers on how a K-12 education foundation can help. Hear success stories from around Ohio and network with other education foundations and experts. Designed for superintendents, school board members, foundation board members, development directors and volunteers, this interactive workshop is one you won't want to miss!

Already have a school foundation? From fundraising to board governance, learn strategies, tips and trends to promote your mission and raise your level of success. Don't have a school foundation set up to serve your district? Learn about key legal, financial and operational components to building a successful foundation.

Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. 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.

Start employees on the path to success with an employee handbook



Many districts have employee handbooks, but they may be outdated or incomplete. OSBA can help your district create a concise and accurate handbook that is useful for employers and employees.

A handbook:

- provides clear notice of expectations to employees;
- is a handy reference for employees to answer questions and cover basic conditions of employment;
- supports growth and development;
- supports disciplinary actions when guidelines are not followed;
- is a reference tool for nonunion employees.

OSBA offers three options of tiered services to meet your district's needs, including:

- Standard – electronic template of handbook and sample language;
- Review – electronic template of handbook, consultant guidance and more;
- Premium – most complete service to a district.

For more information, contact **Renee L. Fambro**, deputy director of labor relations, at (614) 540-4000, ext. 243; (800) 589-OSBA; or rfambro@ohioschoolboards.org.



Photo courtesy of the Ohio Statehouse Photo Archive

State Legislative Conference

Thursday, March 13

Ohio Statehouse Atrium, Columbus

9:15 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Cost is \$130

The 2014 State Legislative Conference provides school board members, administrators and treasurers the opportunity to meet with their state legislators and discuss issues impacting public education. It is your opportunity to get the message out on the importance of a strong public school system.

Agenda

- 8:45 a.m. Registration
- 9:15 a.m. Lobbyists' update/talking points/call to action
- 10:15 a.m. Perspectives from the House
- 11 a.m. Perspectives from the Senate
- 11:45 a.m. Lunch with your legislators
- 1 p.m. Meetings with your legislators — Contact your legislators to schedule an appointment prior to the conference. Contact the OSBA legislative division if you need assistance.

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.

Visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/28276> for driving directions and links to parking information.

Questions about workers' comp rates?

Get answers at the 2014 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 five sites around Ohio, from 8 a.m. to 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 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:

Tuesday, March 4

Owens Community College, Findlay

Wednesday, March 5

Northeast Ohio Medical University, Rootstown

Monday, March 10

Ohio University Inn and Conference Center, Athens

Thursday, March 20

Wyndham Garden Dayton South, Miamisburg

Monday, March 31

OSBA office, Columbus

BoardDocs users: Learn how to use People Manager to create and manage user accounts

BoardDocs is the exclusive eGovernance partner of OSBA. During this session, current BoardDocs users will learn how to use the BoardDocs People Manager to create new user accounts, edit existing user accounts, set user names and passwords, allow users to set their own passwords and assign roles to control which users see confidential content on the BoardDocs site. This free webinar will be on Feb. 25 from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. To register, visit **<https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/487761505>**.

Once registered, you will receive an email confirming your registration with the information you need to view the webinar. For questions, contact **Amanda Finney**, OSBA senior marketing coordinator, at (800) 589-OSBA; (614) 540-4000; or afinney@ohioschoolboards.org. For more information about BoardDocs, visit **www.boarddocs.com**.



Central Region Spring Conference

Wednesday, March 19

Villa Milano, 1630 Schrock Road, Columbus, 43229

Central Region conferences are a great place to build board rapport and grow positive relationships between your administrative team and board. Reserve a table or two and bring your board and leadership staff.

Note: Districts are encouraged to reserve a table for \$320. Tables seat eight people, providing more

room for attendees. At past conferences, some districts have reserved more than one table. If your district has programs, teachers or board members being recognized, you will want to bring a large group and reserve multiple tables. Payment by check is preferred, but purchase orders will be accepted for districts reserving full tables.

5 p.m. Social hour (complimentary appetizers and a cash bar will be available)

5:50 p.m. Student performance

6 p.m. Dinner

7 p.m. Program

Greetings and update from OSBA

Susie Lawson, OSBA president, board member, Tri-County ESC and Wayne County Schools Career Center, and Richard Lewis, executive director, OSBA

Legislative update

OSBA Division of Legislative Services

Keynote speaker

Recognitions

- Recognition of board members celebrating service milestones
- Recognition of Master Board Members
- Recognition of Award of Achievement recipients

8:30 p.m. Adjourn

Directions

Visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/CRconference> for directions.

Award of Achievement

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

Authority for reimbursement

Ohio Revised Code Section 3315.15 authorizes the establishment of a service fund for board members. This fund can be used for expenses incurred at a meeting such as this.

Registration

Registration for dinner and the program is \$40 per person or \$320 per table (seats up to eight) for OSBA members, guests and spouses. Enclosed is a check for \$ ____ to cover ____ tables or ____ individual registrations. **Make checks payable to OSBA Central Region and mail to Jeff Chambers, interim regional manager, 8050 N. High St., Ste. 100, Columbus, OH 43235.** If you have questions or need to cancel your reservation, please call (614) 540-4000.

The last day we can accept changes or provide refunds is Friday, March 14. Include payment with reservation. Registrants who cancel at least three workdays before the day of the meeting may request a full refund. All others will be charged the full registration fee. Payment by check is preferred, but purchase orders can be accepted for districts purchasing tables.

District/county _____
Name, title _____
Name, title _____
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Name, title _____
Name, title _____

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



_____ Check here if you require special accommodations. Attach a written description of needs.
(Please photocopy this form for additional registrations.)

Northeast Region Spring Conference

Wednesday, March 5

Maplewood Career Center, 7075 SR 88, Ravenna, 44266

Phone: (330) 296-2892

Program

- 6 p.m. Registration and socializing
6:30 p.m. Dinner and inservice — Streetsboro
City Schools: From fire to new bond
issue in a few short years
7:15 p.m. Program

Welcome and introductions

*Denise Baba, Northeast Region president, board
member, Streetsboro City*

Greetings and update from OSBA

*Susie Lawson, OSBA president, board member,
Tri-County ESC and Wayne County Schools
Career Center; and Richard Lewis, OSBA
executive director*

Legislative update

OSBA Division of Legislative Services

Student entertainment

Recognition of Teacher of the Year nominees

Presentation of awards

Susie Lawson and Richard Lewis

Board member recognition for years of service

Honoring those with 10, 15 and 20 years of
service as board of education members (25-year
veterans are recognized by OSBA at the Capital
Conference)

Adjourn

Directions

Visit [http://links.
ohioschoolboards.
org/NEconference](http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/NEconference) for
directions.

Award of Achievement

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

Authority for reimbursement

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

Registration

Registration and dinner fee is \$35 each for OSBA members, guests and spouses. For reservations, contact **Terri Neff** at (216) 470-6395 or tneff@ohioschoolboards.org. Send enclosed check for \$ _____ and/or P.O. # _____ to cover _____ registrations for the Northeast Region Spring Conference. Make checks payable to **OSBA Northeast Region and send reservations to Terri Neff, regional manager, 1225 Candlewick Lane, Broadview Heights, OH 44147. Deadline for registration is Tuesday, Feb. 25.** Include payment with reservation. Registrants who cancel at least three workdays before the day of the meeting may request a full refund. All others will be charged the full registration fee.

District/county _____
Name, title _____
Name, title _____
Name, title _____



_____ Check here if you require special accommodations. Attach a written description of needs.

(Please photocopy this form for additional registrations.)

Northwest Region Spring Conference



featuring the Northwest Region career centers' silent auction

Thursday, March 13

Vanguard-Sentinel Career and Technology Centers • 1306 Cedar Street, Fremont, 43420 • (419) 332-2626

5:15 p.m. Silent auction opens for bidding

5:30 p.m. Registration, socializing, appetizers, silent auction bidding

5:55 p.m. Welcome and introductions

Timothy McKinney, Northwest Region president, board member, Bath Local (Allen)

Northwest Region Outstanding Board Participation Award

Kevin Landin, Northwest Region president-elect, board member, Ottoville Local (Putnam)

Greetings from OSBA

Susie Lawson, OSBA president, board member, Tri-County ESC and Wayne County Schools Career Center

6:15 p.m. Dinner

Provided by Vanguard-Sentinel Career and Technology Centers' Culinary Arts program

OSBA update

Richard Lewis, executive director, OSBA

Entertainment

Seneca East Local (Seneca) Jazz Band, directed by Dana Willman

Legislative update

OSBA Division of Legislative Services

7:30 p.m. Awards and recognitions

● **Recognition of 2013 Northwest Region president**

Rob Delane, deputy executive director, OSBA

● **Recognition of Award of Achievement and NSBA School Board Member National Recognition Program recipients**

Timothy McKinney and Richard Lewis

● **2013 Capital Conference Student Achievement Fair Participation Awards**

Kevin Landin and Penny Kill, Spencerville Local (Allen) and Apollo Career Center

● **Northwest Region Excellence in Community Service Award**

Northwest Region Executive Committee

● **Northwest Region Humanitarian Award**

Northwest Region Executive Committee

● **Recognition of Who's Who Excellence in Outstanding Leadership Award**

Northwest Region Executive Committee

Presentation of silent auction winners

Jaimie L. Beamer, Seneca East Local and Vanguard-Sentinel Career and Technology Centers; and Dr. Paul R. Lockwood II, North Point ESC and EHOVE Career Center

8:30 p.m. Adjourn

Award nomination forms

Download your award nominations at

www.ohioschoolboards.org/nw-region

Directions

Visit **<http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/NWconference>** for directions.

Award of Achievement

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

Authority for reimbursement

Ohio Revised Code Section 3315.15 authorizes the establishment of a service fund for board members. This fund can be used for expenses incurred at meetings such as this.

Registration

Registration and dinner fee is \$30 per person or \$160 per table (seats six) for OSBA members, guests and spouses. The cost for students and their parents is \$15 each. Enclosed is a check for \$ _____ to cover _____ registrations or _____ tables. Please include a list of attendees and titles with your registration. **Make checks payable to OSBA Northwest Region and mail to Dr. Judy Jackson May, regional manager, 1513 Cobblestone Drive, Bowling Green, OH 43402.** Phone is (419) 575-0663; fax is (419) 372- 8448; email is jjacksonmay@ohioschoolboards.org. **Deadline for registration is Friday, March 7. Include payment with reservation.** Registrants who cancel at least three workdays before the day of the meeting may request a full refund. All others will be charged the full registration fee. While checks are preferred, we can accept purchase orders for districts reserving one or more tables.

District/County _____

Name, Title _____

Name, Title _____

Name, Title _____



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(Please photocopy this form for additional registrations.)

Southeast Region Spring Conferences

Tuesday, March 4 — Buckeye Hills Career Center

351 Buckeye Hills Road, Thurman, 45685 • (740) 245-5334

5:30 p.m. Registration and social hour

6:15 p.m. Presiding

*David Carter, Southeast Region president,
board member, East Guernsey Local
(Guernsey)*

Dinner

Entertainment

*Jackson City's Jackson High School Music
Ensemble*

Greetings and update from OSBA

*Susie Lawson, OSBA president, board
member, Tri-County ESC and Wayne
County Schools Career Center; and Richard
Lewis, executive director, OSBA*

Thursday, March 6 — Sheridan High School

8725 Sheridan Road, Thornville, 43076 • (740) 743-1335

5:30 p.m. Registration and social hour

6:15 p.m. Presiding

*David Carter, Southeast Region
president, board member, East Guernsey
Local (Guernsey)*

Dinner

Entertainment

*Northern Local's (Perry) Sheridan High
School Music Ensemble*

Greetings and update from OSBA

*Susie Lawson, OSBA president, board
member, Tri-County ESC and Wayne
County Schools Career Center; and
Richard Lewis, executive director, OSBA*

Directions

Visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/SEconference> for directions.

Award of Achievement

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Authority for reimbursement

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Recognition of Ohio Teacher of the Year nominee

Recognition of Student Achievement Fair participants

Presentation of OSBA Award of Achievement

Recognition of veteran board members

Legislative update
OSBA Division of Legislative Services

Adjourn

Recognition of Ohio Teacher of the Year nominee

Recognition of Student Achievement Fair participants

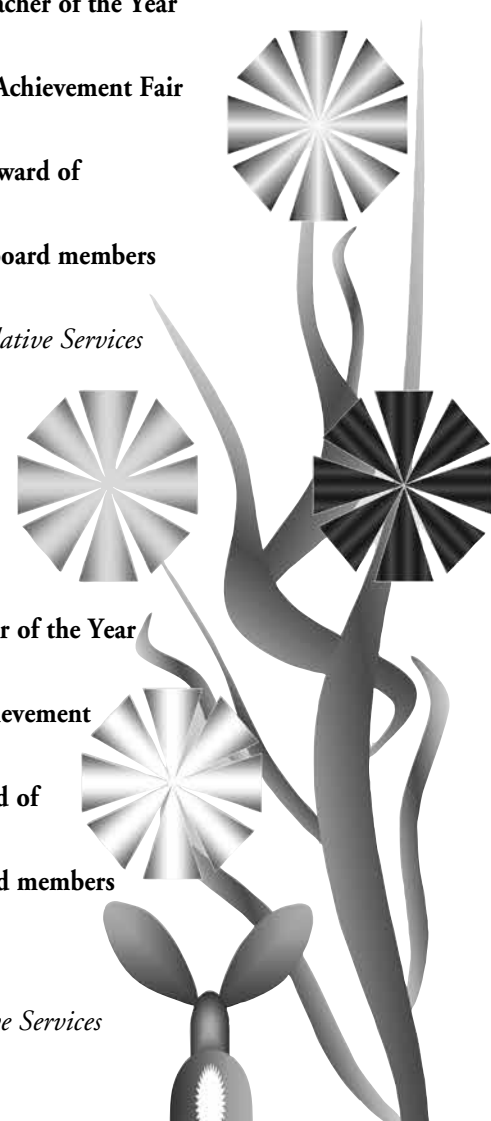
Presentation of OSBA Award of Achievement

Recognition of veteran board members

Past president's recognition

Legislative update
OSBA Division of Legislative Services

Adjourn



Registration

Please check which conference you will attend: ☐ March 4, Thurman ☐ March 6, Thornville

Registration and dinner fee is \$35 each for OSBA members, guests and spouses. Enclosed is a check for \$ _____ to cover _____ registrations for the OSBA Southeast Region Spring Conference. Make checks payable to OSBA Southeast Region and mail to Paul D. Mock, regional manager, 685 E. Main St., Logan, OH 43138-1737. Phone is (740) 385-5240; fax is (740) 380-2487; email is pmock@ohioschoolboards.org. **Deadline for registration is Friday, Feb. 21. Include payment with reservation.** Registrants who cancel at least three workdays before the day of the meeting may request a full refund. All others will be charged the full registration fee.

District/county _____
Name, title _____
Name, title _____
Name, title _____



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(Please photocopy this form for additional registrations.)

Southwest Region Spring Conference

Tuesday, March 11

Great Oaks ITCD, Scarlet Oaks Campus • 3254 Kemper Road, Cincinnati, 45241 • (513) 771-8840

5:15 p.m. Registration and social period

Greetings and update from OSBA

Susie Lawson and Richard Lewis

6 p.m. Welcome

Rick Foster, Southwest Region president, board member, Manchester Local (Adams)

Legislative update

OSBA Division of Legislative Services

Entertainment

Manchester Local Music Department, directed by Kevin Sucher

Presentation of Special Recognition Program awards to outstanding staff members

Rick Foster and Gail Martindale

6:20 p.m. Presentation of colors

Great Oaks ITCD Scarlet Oaks Naval Junior ROTC cadets

Recognition of 2013 effective school boards

Susie Lawson and Jim Sommer, Southwest Region immediate past president, board member, Greenville City

National anthem

Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence

Gail Martindale, Southwest Region president-elect, board member, Cedar Cliff Local (Greene)

2014 President's Award

Recipient: Dr. Kevin Boys, president, Southern State Community College

6:30 p.m. Buffet dinner

Presentation of sixth annual NSBA School Board Member National Recognition Program awards

Rob Delane, deputy executive director, OSBA

7:10 p.m. General Session

Introductions by Rick Foster

Presentation of Award of Achievement and Master Board Member honors

Jim Sommer, Richard Lewis and Rob Delane

Special presentation

Recognition of veteran board members

Susie Lawson, OSBA president, board member, Tri-County ESC and Wayne County Schools Career Center; and Richard Lewis, executive director, OSBA

Adjourn

Directions

Visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/SWconference> for directions.

Award of Achievement

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

Authority for reimbursement

RC Section 3315.15 authorizes the establishment of a service fund for board members. The fund can be used for expenses incurred at a meeting such as this.

Registration

Registration and dinner fee is \$38 each for OSBA members, guests and spouses. Enclosed is a check for \$ _____ to cover _____ registrations for the OSBA Southwest Region Spring Conference. **Make checks payable to OSBA Southwest Region and send reservations to Ronald J. Diver, regional manager, 8797 Meadowlark Drive, Franklin, OH 45005.** Phone is (937) 746-7641; email is rdiver@ohioschoolboards.org. **Deadline for reservations is Thursday, March 6. Include payment with reservation.** Registrants who cancel at least three workdays before the day of the meeting may request a full refund. All others will be charged the full registration fee.

District/county _____

Name, title _____

Name, title _____

Name, title _____



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(Please photocopy this form for additional registrations.)



WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Board Presidents Workshop

- ☐ Feb, 1, Dayton, \$160
- ☐ Feb, 1, Rootstown, \$160
- ☐ Feb, 8, Columbus, \$160
- ☐ Feb, 8, Perrysburg, \$160

A Walkthrough of the New Days-to-hours Requirement

- ☐ Feb. 11, webinar, \$35

Pupil Transportation Administrator Training Program #3: Driver records/background check/compliance needs

- ☐ Feb. 12, Columbus, \$90

School Finance 101: What Board Members *Should* Know

- ☐ Feb. 28, Columbus, \$150

REPEAT: Pupil Transportation Administrator Training Program #1: Rules and laws governing Ohio pupil transportation

- ☐ March 5, Columbus, \$90

Increasing Private Funding for Your School District

- ☐ March 6, Columbus, \$150

State Legislative Conference

- ☐ March 13, Columbus, \$130

Management Development Series #1

- ☐ March 14, Columbus, \$90

Pupil Transportation Administrator Training Program #4: Emergency planning

- ☐ April 9, Columbus, \$90

OSBA Workshop Registration Form

Workshop name _____ Workshop date _____

Attendee name _____ Title _____

Daytime phone _____ Email _____

District/firm _____ County _____

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



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

Please photocopy this form for each person

OSBA workshop registration procedures

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

Award of Achievement/LPDC

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

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



Mail

OSBA
8050 N. High St.,
Suite 100, Columbus, OH
43235-6481



Phone
or fax

OSBA Registration Hotline,
(614) 540-4000, ext. 300;
toll free (800) 589-OSBA,
ext. 300; or fax us at
(614) 540-4100.



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

Cancellation and refund policy

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

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superintendent of the former **Williamsfield** School District in Ashtabula County, died Dec. 29. He was 91. ●●● Former **Northwestern Local (Clark)** Board of Education member **Jack Paul Hoberty** died Jan. 5. He was 83. ●●● Former **Ontario Local (Richland)** Board of Education member **Virgil Leroy Downs** died Dec. 17. He was 92. ●●● **Vernie Stahr**, a member of the former **Hocking County** and **Pickaway-Ross JVS** boards of education, died Jan. 5. He was 97. ●●● Former **Pymatuning Valley Local (Ashtabula)** Board of Education member **Marlin M. Moschell** died Dec. 30. He was 84. ●●● Former **Tri-Valley Local (Muskingum)** Treasurer **Clinton L. "Bud" Moss** died Dec. 22. He was 66. ●●● Former **Whitehall City** Treasurer **Helen Marguerite Day Williams** died Dec. 29. She was 82.



LEGISLATIVE REPORT

by Michelle Francis, deputy director of legislative services

Second half of 130th General Assembly begins

Earlier this month, legislators returned for the second half of the 130th Ohio General Assembly. Legislative sessions and committee days have already been scheduled through May.

During a typical week, the Senate will start its session at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The House will convene at 11 a.m. on Tuesdays and 1:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. Committee hearings are scheduled to take place during session weeks in addition to weeks with no sessions scheduled.

Most of the legislature's work will be completed between now and May. Much of it will focus on Gov. **John Kasich's** mid-biennium review (MBR) budget package, which is anticipated to be unveiled in late February. Once legislators complete their work in May, they are expected to recess for the summer and the campaign season. Later this year they will return for

a lame-duck session following the November general election.

State of the State

The governor recently announced he would be taking his annual State of the State address on the road again this year. He plans to deliver the speech on

Feb. 24 in outgoing House Speaker **William Batchelder's** (R-Medina) district at the Medina Performing Arts Center. The speech is expected to coincide with the administration's unveiling of the MBR budget. Last year's speech was held in Lima, which is in

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OSBA webinars

Learning delivered to your computer

Register for these webinars by visiting www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops. You also can register by contacting **Laurie Miller**, senior events manager, at (800) 589-OSBA; (614) 540-4000; or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org.



A Walkthrough of the New Days-to-hours Requirement

Tuesday, Feb. 11 • 1:30 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. • Paid webinar • \$35

In 2013, House Bill 59 changed the minimum school year requirement for Ohio school districts. Beginning in the 2014-15 school year, the minimum school year will change from 182 days to 455 hours for students in half-day kindergarten; 910 hours for students in grades one-six or all-day kindergarten; and 1,001 hours for students in grades seven-12. This webinar will walk you through the statutory changes and identify what steps boards can take now to prepare for the 2014-15 school year.

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Senate President **Keith Faber's** (R-Celina) district. In 2012, Kasich traveled to Steubenville for the address.

HB 264 update — diabetes legislation

House Bill (HB) 264, co-sponsored by Rep. **Lynn Wachtmann** (R-Napoleon) and Rep. **John Barnes** (D-Cleveland), would place significant mandates on school districts serving students with diabetes.

The bill was unexpectedly placed on the House Health and Aging Committee calendar recently for a possible vote, but no vote was taken. OSBA, the Buckeye Association of School Administrators and the Ohio Association of School Business

Officials are continuing to work with the bill's sponsors and the American Diabetes Association as hearings on the legislation continue.

School districts already are required to comply with federal law and the recently updated rules for Section 504 plans. Districts must allow students with diabetes to be served under a 504 plan if their parents so choose. Section 504 plans allow districts to serve diabetic students individually — not with one-size-fits-all mandates.

Districts must speak out, because HB 264 represents an extreme expansion of services that goes beyond current federal law and what schools can and should be required to do. Further, OSBA believes lawmakers are not aware

of measures school districts currently take to serve diabetic students' needs.

When contacting your legislators, let them know how your district serves these students and share the following concerns about the bill:

- HB 264 creates a cookie cutter approach for serving all diabetic students;
- school districts should not be mandated to monitor and medicate all diabetic students beyond the regular school day, such as during before- and after-school activities (under current federal law, Section 504 plans allow for this on an individualized basis);
- the bill requires mandatory training for school employees and

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OSBA

Executive Searches

If retaining a successful, long-term leader is a priority for your district, rely on OSBA!

Finding the right leader for your district will be among the most significant decisions you make as a board. For more than 30 years, the OSBA search process has proven successful in nearly 1,000 executive searches for Ohio's diverse school districts and other related organizations. No one does it better!

For information on Ohio's best administrative search team, call OSBA's Kathy LaSota, Dr. Richard J. Caster, Steve Horton or Cheryl W. Ryan at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA.



PUBLIC SCHOOLS WORK!

compiled by Gary Motz, managing editor

Real Money Real World gives students a glimpse of the future

With community volunteers staffing 14 business booths, eighth-graders at **Rolling Hills Local (Guernsey)** took part in a Real Money Real World financial literacy program last month.

Students were assigned a career, monthly salary and specific number of children. They visited the booths and made spending choices based on their family situation, hoping they could make their money last until the end of the month.

The program includes four classroom lessons to prepare students to assume the role of a 27-year-old adult who is a family's primary income provider. After subtracting savings and taxes from their monthly income, the students toured the booths to pay for other living expenses, such as housing, utilities, groceries, insurance, child care and transportation. Throughout the activity, students kept track of their finances and tried to complete the simulation

with a positive balance.

The students enjoyed their experience, but were shocked at how hard it was to meet a monthly budget. Many had newfound respect for their parents and the challenges of managing finances.

The program is a product of Ohio State University (OSU) and was organized by OSU Extension staff in collaboration with **Rusty Roberts**, a teacher at Rolling Hills' Meadowbrook Middle School.

Source: OSU Extension

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bus drivers who have diabetic students in their care during the school day or at after-school activities;

● under HB 264, volunteers could

provide this care; however, school districts must have trained staff available, with or without volunteers.

For the latest legislative updates,

please contact the OSBA legislative division at (800) 589-6722.

Editor's note: All information in this article was current as of Jan. 17.

OSBA deputy director of legislative services position available

The Ohio School Boards Association is seeking a deputy director of legislative services to provide support for its advocacy efforts on behalf of Ohio's public boards of education. The position reports to and assists the division director in managing the legislative division and the association. Key responsibilities include working with legislators, education policymakers and school district officials to advance the needs and interests of Ohio's public schools and boards of education. The successful applicant will have strong interpersonal skills, as well as demonstrated ability in public speaking, training and small group facilitation. Candidates must possess knowledge and experience with effective advocacy strategies, the legislative process, educational policy and school-funding issues. Excellent oral and written communication skills, strong analytical abilities and strong public speaking skills are essential. Experience in organizing and sustaining effective grassroots advocacy initiatives is vital. Applicants should submit a letter of interest, professional résumé and salary requirements by Feb. 14, 2014, to Damon Asbury, director of legislative services, OSBA, 8050 N. High St., Columbus, OH 43235-6481 or to dasbury@ohioschoolboards.org. EOE

January 2014

- 27 Last day to submit certification for May income tax levy to Ohio Department of Taxation — RC 5748.02(A) (100 days prior to the election).
- 31 Annual campaign finance reports due (by 4 p.m.) detailing contributions and expenditures through Dec. 31, 2013 — RC 3517.10; deadline for educational service center (ESC) governing boards to meet and organize — RC 3313.14; last day to submit May emergency levy, current operating expenses levy or conversion levy to county auditor for May election — RC 5705.194, 5705.195, 5705.213, 5705.219 (95 days prior to the election).

February 2014

- 1 Board Presidents Workshop Rootstown
- 1 Board Presidents Workshop Dayton
- 4 Special Election Day — RC 3501.01 (first Tuesday after the first Monday).
- 5 Northeast Region Executive Committee meeting Wadsworth
- 5 Last day for school district to file resolution of necessity, resolution to proceed and auditor's certification for bond levy with board of elections for May election — RC 133.18(D); last day for county auditor

to certify school district bond levy terms for May election — RC 133.18(C); last day to submit continuing replacement, permanent improvement or operating levy for May election to board of elections — RC 5705.192, 5705.21, 5705.25; last day to certify resolution for school district income tax levy, conversion levy or renewal of conversion levy for May election to board of elections — RC 5748.02(C), 5705.219 (C) and (G); last day to submit emergency levy for May election to board of elections — RC 5705.195; last day to submit phased-in levy or current operating expenses levy for May election to board of elections — RC 5705.251(A) (90 days prior to the election).

6 OSBA Book Club *How Children Succeed* webinar #1

8 Board Presidents Workshop .. Columbus

8 Board Presidents Workshop Perrysburg

9 Northwest Region Executive Committee meeting Bowling Green

9 Southeast Region Executive Committee meeting Logan

11 A Walkthrough of the New Days-to-hours Requirement webinar

12 Pupil Transportation Administrator Training Program #3 Columbus

24 Last day to file (by 4 p.m.) as a write-in candidate for May election — RC 3513.041

- (72 days prior to the election).
- 25 Using BoardDocs People Manager to Create and Manage User Accounts webinar
- 28 School Finance 101 Workshop Columbus

March 2014

- 1 Last day to take action and deliver written notice of nonrenewal of superintendent's contract — RC 3319.01; last day to take action on and deliver written notice of nonrenewal of treasurer's contract — RC 3313.22.
- 4 SchoolComp Workers' Compensation Workshop Findlay
- 4 Southeast Region Spring Conference Thurman
- 5 SchoolComp Workers' Compensation Workshop Rootstown
- 5 Repeat: Pupil Transportation Administrator Training Program #1 Columbus
- 5 OSBA Book Club *How Children Succeed* webinar #2
- 5 Northeast Region Spring Conference Ravenna
- 6 Increasing Private Funding for Your School District Columbus
- 6 Southeast Region Spring Conference Thornville