

# BRIEF CASE

## THE OHIO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION

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### Actor John Ratzenberger confirmed for Capital Conference

**John Ratzenberger**, an Emmy-nominated actor, entrepreneur and philanthropist, will be the keynote speaker at the OSBA Capital Conference's Third General Session. Best known for playing the character Cliff Clavin on the TV sitcom "Cheers," Ratzenberger has had roles in numerous movies, including voice roles in every Pixar feature film. A champion for skilled workers in the U.S., he also produced and hosted "Made in America," a Travel Channel show that celebrated the work ethic that fueled America's growth. The conference, one of the premier education conventions in the nation, runs Nov. 10-13 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center.

### Cincinnati charter school audit that led to indictment is released

The state auditor's office recently released an audit that found more than \$500,000 in taxpayer funds were misspent at a Cincinnati charter school between July 2006 and May 2010. In March, a Hamilton County grand jury indicted Cincinnati College Preparatory Academy Superintendent **Lisa Hamm** and Treasurer **Stephanie Millard**, who are accused of stealing or misusing \$148,000 of the school's funds. Ohio Auditor of State **Dave Yost** also issued findings for recovery against several additional charter school employees.

### Ohio charters outspend public schools on administration

A study by the Innovation Ohio Education Fund shows Ohio charter schools spend far more on administrators than public schools, leaving fewer funds for classroom instruction. On average, Ohio charter schools dedicate 28% of their total spending to administrative costs, compared to 11.5% for public schools. Even the state's best charter schools outspend their public counterparts 20.5% to 5.9%, respectively. The report is posted at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/66349>.

### More than 25% of Ohio children face food insecurity

A report by the hunger-relief charity Feeding America found that 25.7% of Ohio children are "food insecure." In its "Map the Meal Gap" report, the nonprofit group defines food insecurity as being unable to consistently get enough nutritious food to lead a healthy life. The report warned that food insecurity is linked to poor school performance, increased illness and higher associated health care costs. View the report at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/89699>.

### Study shows Ohio kids still struggling with poverty

The lingering effects of the recession continue to hit kids hard, with a quarter living in poverty, according to the Annie E. Casey Foundation's annual "Kids Count Data

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- ☐ Administrators
- ☐ Assistant treasurers
- ☐ Principals
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Book," a national report that tracks children's well-being. The report shows that one in three Ohio children lives in a home where no parent has a full-time, year-round job. Although Ohio's ranking in the well-being of children rose to 24th among all states, up from 27th in the previous report, the report showed that three of four economic indicators have worsened in Ohio in recent years. Learn more at <http://links.ohio-schoolboards.org/22462>.

### Chardon coach makes the cover of *Sports Illustrated*

Chardon Local's (Geauga)

**Frank Hall** was featured in the June 24 issue of *Sports Illustrated*. The cover story profiled the assistant football coach who chased convicted shooter **T.J. Lane** out of the high school on Feb. 27, 2012, after Lane began shooting in the school's cafeteria, killing three students and wounding three

others. The article details the shooting from Hall's point of view, interweaving the coach's personal, inspirational story as a beloved fixture of the school.

### ODH site offers concussion information and training

The Ohio Department of Health

(ODH) is posting information online to help youth sports referees, coaches and volunteers comply with the new concussion rules that went into effect April 26. ODH's website includes information on identifying and dealing with concussions, frequently asked questions and links to free training. The information can be found at [www.healthyohioprogram.org/concussion](http://www.healthyohioprogram.org/concussion).

### OSBA online

• [www.ohioschoolboards.org](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org)  
OSBA has launched its School Board Candidate Campaign. For details, visit [www.ohioschoolboards.org/candidate-for-school-boards](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/candidate-for-school-boards). There you will find a board candidate brochure, which includes filing information, as well as information on conflicts of interest. You also can sign up for one of OSBA's board candidate workshops, held in August and September throughout the state.

### Actor visits South-Western City school, supports students

Actor and filmmaker **Tyler Perry** recently surprised **South-Western City** with a visit and a donation of \$100,000 to support student athletes.

"I want to sponsor as many kids as I can," Perry told a crowd of more than 700 at Finland Middle School, according to a local newspaper.

He said he was inspired to visit the school after seeing a segment on the HBO TV show "Real Sports with Bryant Gumbel" that featured Finland teacher **Mary Mulvany**, who helped raise scholarship money to cover school athletic fees.

"Hundreds of kids will be helped by what he (Perry) did today," Mulvany said.

Source: *The Columbus Dispatch*



## Briefcase

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# BULLETIN BOARD

compiled by Melanie Price, administrative assistant of communication services

## OSBA executive searches

### Treasurer

#### District

- ① Xenia Community City
- ② New Lebanon Local  
(Montgomery)

#### Deadline

July 12

July 26

#### Contact

OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000

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① = Treasurer



## Other searches

#### Position

Superintendent

#### District

Blanchester Local (Clinton)

#### Deadline

Sept. 12

#### Contact

Tony Long, superintendent, Southern Ohio ESC, (937) 382-6921

## Board changes

**Clearview Local (Lorain)** Board of Education members **Connie L. Finney** and **Brenda L. Newman** announced their resignations effective immediately. ●●● **Edison Local (Jefferson)** Board of Education member **Larry Crow** announced his resignation effective immediately. ●●● **Lake Local (Stark)** appointed **Gordon D. "J.R." Suppes Jr.** to the board effective June 21. He replaced **William M. Jelen**, who resigned due to moving out of state. ●●● **Painesville City Local (Lake)** Board of Education member **Gerald Kalb** announced his resignation effective immediately. ●●● **Richmond Heights Local (Cuyahoga)** appointed **Nneka Slade Jackson** to the board effective June 5. She replaced **Carmela L. Carter**, who resigned. ●●● **Sheffield-Sheffield Lake City** appointed **Amy DeLuca** to the board effective immediately. She replaced **Skip Scarpelli**, who resigned. ●●● **South-Western City** Board of Education member **Jo Ellen Myers** announced her resignation effective June 24. She is moving out of state. ●●● **Streetsboro City** Board of Education member **Cynthia Pennock-Hanish** announced her resignation effective June 21. ●●● **Wyoming City** Board of Education member **Sheryl Felner** announced her resignation effective June 10. She is moving out of the district.

### Editor's note

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

## Administrative changes

### Superintendents

**Berne Union Local (Fairfield)** hired **Richard R. Spindler** as superintendent effective immediately. He replaced **Dale L. Dickson**, who is retiring. Spindler is currently the superintendent at **Zane Trace Local (Ross)**. ●●● **Columbus City** hired **J. Daniel Good** as interim superintendent effective July 1, the same date he retired as **Westerville City** superintendent. He replaced **Dr. Gene T. Harris**, who retired effective July 1. ●●●

**Crestview Local (Richland)** hired **Scott Will** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace **William D. Seder Jr.**, who took the superintendent position at **Mount Vernon City**. Will is currently the district's high school principal. ●●● **Fort Frye Local (Washington)** hired **Stephanie Starcher** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. She will replace **Thomas Gibbs**, who took a position with **Athens City**. Starcher currently is an elementary school principal at **Warren Local (Washington)**. ●●● **Franklin City** Superintendent **Arnol F. Elam** announced his resignation effective Aug. 3. ●●● **Green Local (Summit)** hired **Jeffrey L. Miller** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace **Michael E. Nutter**, who is resigning. Miller is currently the district's middle school principal. ●●● **Mansfield City** hired **Brian Garverick** as superintendent effective July 1. He replaced **Dan Freund**, who retired. Garverick was previously the district's high school principal. ●●● **Southeast Local (Portage)** hired **Thomas S. Inchak** as interim superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace **Thomas F. Harrison**, who is retiring. ●●● **Union Local (Belmont)** Superintendent **Harry Kirk Glasgow** announced his retirement effective June 30. ●●● **Winton Woods City** hired **Anthony Smith** as superintendent effective immediately. He replaced Interim Superintendent **James Smith**. Anthony Smith previously was an assistant superintendent at **Cincinnati City**.

### **Treasurers**

**East Holmes Local (Holmes)** hired **Kellie A. Lester** as treasurer effective Aug. 1. She will replace **Marsha Clark**, who took the assistant treasurer position at **Dover City**. Lester currently is treasurer at **Chillicothe City**. ●●● **Ledgemont Local (Geauga)** Treasurer **Kelly Moore** announced her resignation effective Aug. 1. ●●● **Mariemont City** hired **Tom Golinar** as treasurer effective Sept. 1. He will replace **Natalie Lucas**, who is retiring. Golinar is currently the treasurer at **Southwest Local (Hamilton)**. ●●● **Olentangy Local (Delaware)** hired **Brian L. Kern** as treasurer effective Aug. 1. He will replace Interim Treasurer **Todd Johnson**. Kern is currently the assistant treasurer at **Dublin City**. ●●● **Sheffield-Sheffield Lake City** hired **Josh Hill** as treasurer effective Aug. 1. He will replace **Don Breon**, who is retiring. Hill is currently the assistant treasurer at **Cloverleaf Local (Medina)**. ●●● **Xenia Community City** Treasurer **Bradley A. McKee** announced his resignation effective immediately. He has taken the treasurer position at **Greenon Local (Clark)** effective June 24. McKee replaced Interim Treasurer **Pamela Mustovich**. McKee will continue in his current position as treasurer for **Southeastern Local (Clark)**.

### **Sympathies**

Former **Jackson-Milton Local (Mahoning)** Superintendent **Garrett L. "Bud" Connors Jr.** died June 15. He was 90. ●●● Former **Lake Local (Wood)** Superintendent **Boyd D. Case** died June 21. He was 83. ●●● Former **Sidney City** Superintendent **Lewis "Lew" Blackford** died June 20. He was 72. ●●● Former **Wellston City** Board of Education member **Dan Hamilton Lockard Sr.** died June 15. He was 85.

## **OSBA school board services consultant position available**

The Ohio School Boards Association is seeking qualified applicants for a full-time position as an executive search and professional development consultant. The successful candidate also will produce and deliver presentations, workshops and seminars; advise and consult with public school districts; and write articles and develop publications. Knowledge and experience with school boards, school administration and strategic planning are required. Experience with public speaking, group facilitation and adult training is essential. Must have college degree in a related field and possess excellent written and oral communication skills. Evening and weekend work and travel in Ohio are required. Send cover letter, résumé and salary expectations to School Board Services Search, OSBA, 8050 N. High Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43235. No email or online applications will be considered. Deadline is July 19, 2013. EOE





# Improving your school safety plans at minimal costs

*Tuesday, Aug. 6 and Wednesday, Aug. 7*

*9 a.m. to 4 p.m.*

*Cost: \$195*

*OSBA office, Columbus*

The Ohio School Boards Association will present two-day workshops on Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED). Improve your required school emergency plans by assessing and taking steps to mitigate possible safety risks in and outside school facilities. Significant improvements to school facilities can be achieved at little or no financial cost if CPTED principles are applied properly.

Workshop participants will learn how to examine structural and environmental elements in and around school buildings, including windows, doors, parking areas, landscaping and lighting. A certified CPTED trainer will facilitate the seminar.

During the first day, attendees will learn the four key elements of CPTED. These elements are:

- Natural access control – using doors, fences and gates to control access to your business or property;
- Natural surveillance – arranging the property for maximum visibility;
- Territorial reinforcement – features that define property lines and distinguish private spaces from public spaces, including signs and fences;
- Maintenance – a well-maintained area sends the message that people notice and care about what happens.

During the second day, attendees will be in the field, conducting an actual team assessment. Following lunch, participants will reconvene and each group will present its findings and recommendations.

The workshop will be offered at the OSBA office in Columbus. Participants completing the two-day seminar will receive a certificate of completion validating their abilities to apply CPTED principles in their own school districts.

The fee for the two-day workshop is \$195, and will include training, materials, transportation to and from the field assessment, certificate of completion and breakfast, lunch and coffee breaks both days.

To register, contact **Laurie Miller**, senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000; (800) 589-OSBA; or [Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org).

# Attendance, Tuition and Custody Law Workshop

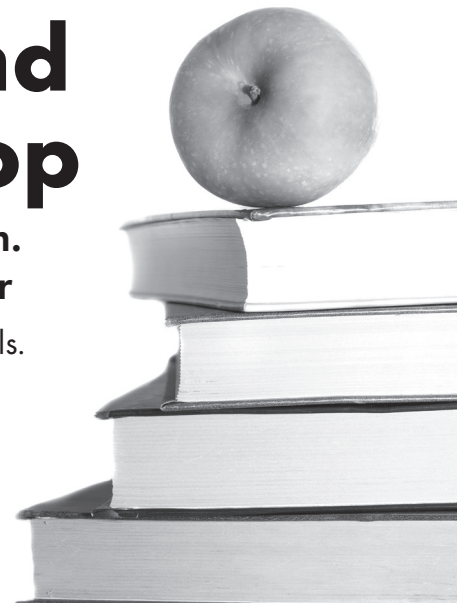
Friday, Aug. 2

9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

NorthPointe Hotel and Conference Center, Lewis Center

Cost: \$150, includes registration, continental breakfast, lunch and materials.

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



## AGENDA

**8:30 a.m. Registration, welcome and continental breakfast (provided)**

**9 a.m. Legislative update**

The workshop kicks off with an update on recent legislation that impacts attendance, tuition and other education laws. Get up to speed on the latest developments.

*Damon Asbury, director of legislative services, OSBA*

**9:30 a.m. Insight from the bench: truancy, kinship placements and more**

A juvenile court magistrate will provide practical suggestions for working with the courts, including strategies for addressing truancy, prosecuting educational neglect, kinship care and other informal placement situations, and more.

*Edith M. Hough, magistrate, Ashtabula County Juvenile Court*

**10:30 a.m. Break**

**10:45 a.m. 30 tips in 60 minutes**

Join two EMIS coordinators and an ESC administrator for a fast-paced session that packs a lot of information into a short time frame. Join the fun and participate in an open Q&A during the last 15 minutes.

*Jennifer Schmidt, EMIS director, Tri-Rivers Educational Computer Association; Tammy Hrosch, EMIS services manager, Metropolitan Dayton Educational Cooperative Association; and Janie Gildersleeve, Ashtabula County ESC*

**Noon Lunch (provided)**

**12:45 p.m. Nontraditional students**

This session focuses on homeless and foreign exchange students, with an emphasis on the responsibilities of school districts and district homeless liaisons.

*Sean Cooke, Esq., Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff LLP, Columbus*

**1:30 p.m. Enrollment and attendance records: who can view, who can sue?**

When a transfer student owes fees and his or her prior school refuses to release the records, what can you do? How long should enrollment and attendance records be kept? Who has access to these records?

*Rhonda Porter, Esq., general counsel, Akron City*

**2:15 p.m. Break**

**2:30 p.m. Nontraditional parents**

The unusual has become usual. How do child custody matters affect decisions about attendance and tuition, especially when relatives or non-family members share parenting and custody responsibilities? Bring your questions.

*Hollie F. Reedy, Esq., chief legal counsel, OSBA*

**3:30 p.m. Adjourn**

Unauthorized audio recording or videotaping of any session is strictly prohibited.

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# Budget Analysis and Discussion (BAD) Seminar



**Monday, Aug. 12, Hyatt Regency, Columbus**  
**9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; registration begins at 8:30 a.m.**

Attend the Budget Analysis and Discussion (BAD) Seminar for the most in-depth analysis on the fiscal year 2014-2015 state budget, Amended Substitute House Bill (AM. Sub. HB) 59.

This comprehensive seminar, hosted by the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA), Ohio Association of School Business Officials (OASBO) and Buckeye Association of School Administrators (BASA), will provide insights and answers on the budget process and final version of the legislation.

Am. Sub. HB 59 contains more than 5,000 pages, including a new school-funding formula and many new policy provisions. Attend the BAD Seminar and hear from legislative experts and lawmakers on what was included and the impact this legislation will have on Ohio school districts.

This workshop is \$195 per person for OSBA, OASBO and BASA member school district representatives. The fee covers workshop registration, materials, lunch and refreshments. Visit [www.ohioschoolboards.org/25055](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/25055) for registration information and directions.

## OSBA Board Candidate Workshops

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

These five sessions, conducted by professional staff from OSBA, will lead candidates through a concise and valuable program to help them better understand the everyday roles and responsibilities of school board members and the legal aspects of being a board member. The cost to attend is \$90.

The dates and locations are:

Aug. 20 — Ohio University Inn, Athens

Aug. 22 — Hilton Garden Inn, Perrysburg

Aug. 27 — Dayton Marriott, Dayton

Sept. 5 — Northeast Ohio Medical University, Rootstown

Sept. 7 — OSBA office, Columbus

Directions to each location are on the OSBA website at [www.ohioschoolboards.org/event\\_listing](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/event_listing). All sessions (except Sept. 7) run from 6 p.m.–9 p.m., with registration and buffet beginning at 5:30 p.m. The session on Sept. 7 runs from 9 a.m.–noon (registration begins at 8:30 a.m.).

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





# WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

## Pre-Board Candidate Workshop

☐ July 20, Columbus, free

## Attendance, Tuition and Custody Law Workshop

☐ Aug. 2, Lewis Center, \$150

## Improving your school safety plans at minimal costs

☐ Aug. 6 & 7, Columbus, \$195

## Budget Analysis and Discussion Seminar

☐ Aug. 12, Columbus, \$195

## Trick or tweet — legal concerns with the use of social media

☐ Aug. 15, webinar, \$35

## OSBA Board Candidate Workshop

- ☐ Aug. 20, Athens, \$90
- ☐ Aug. 22, Perrysburg, \$90
- ☐ Aug. 27, Dayton, \$90
- ☐ Sept. 5, Rootstown, \$90
- ☐ Sept. 7, 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](mailto: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.



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Email registrations can be  
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Please include a purchase  
order number.

You may register on our website at  
**[www.ohioschoolboards.org](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org)**. Events are listed at  
the bottom of the page. You will need a username  
and password.

### 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.





## LEGISLATIVE REPORT

by Michelle Francis, deputy director of legislative services

### General Assembly finalizes state budget

The conference committee on the biennial budget bill for fiscal years (FY) 2014-2015, House Bill (HB) 59, recently approved its final recommendations for blending the House and Senate versions of the budget into one. Both chambers approved the conference report on June 27. The governor was expected to sign the bill by June 30.

The conference committee made a number of final changes to the bill that affect school districts, including changes to the proposed JVSD governance provisions in the bill. The final JVSD governance provision includes the following:

- The language still requires members of a JVSD board to be selected based on the diversity of the employers from the geographical region of the state in which the territory of the JVSD is located.
- It states that individuals appointed to a JVSD board *cannot* be a member of an appointing board *unless* an individual meets the following criteria: has experience as a chief financial officer, chief executive officer, human resource manager or other business, industry or career counseling professional qualified to discuss the labor needs of the region with respect to the regional economy.

- Requires the appointing board to appoint individuals who represent employers in the region served by the JVSD and who are qualified to consider the state's workforce needs with an understanding of the skills, training and education needed for current and future employment opportunities in the state.

OSBA strongly opposes this provision, and issued three

electronic calls to action to its members asking them to contact the governor's office and request that the governor use his line-item veto authority and veto it. In addition, the calls to action included the following concerns that OSBA has shared with the governor's office:

- While the conference committee

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## OSBA webinar

### *Learning delivered to your computer*



Learn about issues relevant to public education through OSBA's webinars. These sessions offer an informal, convenient way to learn in your office or home.

To register for these webinars, contact Senior Events Manager **Laurie Miller** at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or [Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org). You also can register by visiting [www.ohioschoolboards.org/event\\_listing](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/event_listing). Once registered, you will receive a link to view the webinar, so if you can't view the webinar live, you can watch the recorded version later.

#### **Trick or tweet — legal concerns with the use of social media**

Thursday, Aug. 15, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. ● Cost is \$35

The district's use of social media comes with many responsibilities. This webinar will help you identify your legal responsibilities in an area where the law is dynamic and, quite honestly, behind the times. Join two OSBA attorneys for a look at social media as a public record, the district's ability to regulate comments and feedback on social media, the records management challenges associated with using social media and more!

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made some modifications to the Senate's proposed change in JVSD governance, the provision will still overhaul the way JVSD boards are appointed.

- The proposed changes were not a part of the governor's original budget proposal. Such a sweeping change should be thoroughly debated in public and not brought forward late in the process as part of the budget bill.
- The proposed JVSD governance changes are unnecessary — the current governance structure works and does *not* need to be changed.
- JVSDs are currently served by

strong business advisory committees that are industry- or trade-specific.

- This significant change to the JVSD governance structure should be removed from the budget bill and addressed in separate stand-alone legislation.

In addition to changes to the JVSD governance provisions, other changes were included in the final bill that affect school districts, including tax provisions that were not included in any previous version of the bill. Below are some education-related changes:

- Increases per-pupil funding for

economically disadvantaged students in both fiscal years.

- Reduces the unequalized (or flat) per-pupil amount portion of the K-three literacy component of the formula going to all districts (money from the reduction in the K-three literacy program was used to increase the economically disadvantaged funding).

- Includes caps on Straight A fund awards at \$5 million for individual entities and \$15 million for consortia.

- Requires all students in nonpublic schools to take state tests if at least 65% (rather than 35%) are receiving state scholarships (vouchers), with an opt-out option for parents of students not using vouchers.
- Requires the annualized average daily membership count to be updated three times per year beginning in FY '15, with additional language clarifying student withdrawal based on truancy.
- Students absent at least 45 days (rather than 30 days) will not count in the value-added rating in teacher evaluations.

- Revises proposed changes to teacher evaluations and returns the student growth measure to 50% (from 35% in Senate version) of total performance appraisal.

- Includes new e-school enrollment growth caps (15% for larger ones and 25% for smaller ones).

- Eliminates the Senate's proposed 4 cents per gallon increase in school district motor fuel tax reimbursement.

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## OSBA Pre-Board Candidate Workshop

**Know someone who is thinking of running for your school board or someone who would be an asset to your board? Encourage them to attend this workshop to learn the responsibilities of boardmanship!**

This free workshop describes the roles and responsibilities of school board service and requirements for running for a seat on a local board of education. Held Saturday, July 20, from 10 a.m. to noon at the OSBA office in Columbus, this workshop will be led by two veteran OSBA staff members and allow time for questions.

This session is for people who are thinking about running for their school board and current board of education members appointed to office, who must now run for election.

Space is limited, so please contact OSBA Senior Events Manager **Laurie Miller** at (614) 540-4000; (800) 589-OSBA; or [Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org) to register.

For more information on running for a board of education seat, visit OSBA's board candidate Web page, [www.ohioschoolboards.org/candidate-for-school-boards](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/candidate-for-school-boards). Learn more about this and other board candidate workshops at [www.ohioschoolboards.org/event\\_listing](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/event_listing).



## PUBLIC SCHOOLS WORK!

compiled by Bryan Bullock, assistant editor

### Tallmadge City intervention program helps test scores soar

**Tallmadge City** recently saw a dramatic spike in state test scores thanks to a new intervention program.

Tallmadge High School collaborated with a researcher to use the results of a mock ACT exam taken in the fall to identify which students were least likely to pass the reading portion of the Ohio Graduation Test (OGT). Of the 58 students singled out for extra help with reading, 57 scored a passing grade on the OGT, with

43 ranking in the “accelerated” category.

“I was shocked,” **Breanna Clemens**, a student who received intervention and scored at the accelerated level, told a local newspaper. “I didn’t think I would do that.”

Kent State University graduate students, under the guidance of professors in the school’s College of Education, helped Tallmadge teachers facilitate the intervention.

“We’re looking at building that

program out to other schools in Summit County,” said **Matt Deevers**, a senior research associate at Summit Education Initiative, the group that partnered with Tallmadge.

Tallmadge High School is using the same data to help students with math this summer. The intervention programs are paid for by a Minding the Gap grant from the Ohio Board of Regents and Ohio Department of Education.

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- Eliminates the 10% and 2.5% rollback replacement payments for property taxpayers on new and replacement levies. New and replacement levies will no longer qualify for rollback replacement from the state beginning with the November 2013 election (taxpayers will pay 100% of property tax liability).
- Homestead exemption to become means-tested and will apply to new and replacement levies beginning with the November 2013 election (with taxpayers grandfathered to retain current exemption).
- Changes the career-tech funding weights from previous versions of the bill (some increased, some

decreased).

- Restores requirement for sub-group accountability.
- Increases payment in lieu of transportation to \$250 per year.
- Includes a provision related to school safety levy language (same as in Senate Bill 42) and allows for the ballot process to begin before the bill becomes effective.
- Includes changes to financial reporting and rankings — retains per-pupil reports for purposes of comparison with previous years, but also includes per-pupil equivalent report.
- Allows home-schooled; private; and science, technology, engineering and mathematics school students to be eligible for

extracurricular activities in the home school district.

Final spreadsheets showing projected state aid in FY 2014-15 for each district are available on the “HB 59” page of the OSBA BillTracker website ([www.ohio.schoolboards.org/billtracker](http://www.ohio.schoolboards.org/billtracker)).

The next issue of “Legislative Report” will include a summary of the final education provisions in HB 59, including any changes vetoed by the governor.

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 June 27.



## July 2013

- 8 Last day for voter registration for August election — RC 3503.01, 3503.19 (30 days prior to the election).
- 10 Last day for termination of teaching contract by a teacher without consent of the board of education — RC 3319.15.
- 10 Central Region Executive Committee Meeting ..... Columbus
- 15 Last day to adopt school library district tax budget on behalf of a library district — RC 5705.28(B)(1).
- 20 Pre-Board Candidate Workshop ..... Columbus
- 31 Semiannual campaign finance reports must be filed by certain candidates, political action committees, caucus committees (legislative campaign funds) and political parties (by 4 p.m.) (last business day of July) detailing contributions and expenditures through June 30, 2013 — RC 3517.10.

## August 2013

- 1 Last day to file statistical report with Ohio Department of Education — RC 3319.33.
- 2 Attendance, Tuition and Custody Law Workshop ..... Lewis Center
- 2 Last day to submit November emergency,

current operating expenses or conversion levy to county auditor for November general election — RC 5705.194, 5705.195, 5705.213, 5705.219 (95 days prior to election).

- 6 Special Election Day — RC 3501.01 (first Tuesday after the first Monday).
- 6-7 Improving your school safety plans at minimal costs ..... Columbus
- 7 Northeast Region Executive Committee Meeting ..... Wadsworth
- 7 Last day for school district to file resolution of necessity, resolution to proceed and auditor's certification for bond levy with board of elections for November election — RC 133.18(D); last day for county auditor to certify school district bond levy terms for November election — RC 133.18(C); last day to submit continuing replacement, permanent improvement or operating levy for November election to board of elections — RC 5705.192, 5705.21, 5705.25; last day to certify resolution for school district income tax levy, conversion levy or renewal of conversion levy for November election to board of elections — RC 5748.02(C), 5705.219 (C) and (G); last day to submit emergency levy for November election to board of elections — RC 5705.195; last day to submit phased-in levy or

current operating expenses levy for November election to board of elections — RC 5705.251(A); last day to file (by 4 p.m.) nominating petitions for board of education and ESC governing board with board of elections — RC 3513.254, 3513.255 (90 days prior to the election).

- 10 OSBA Legislative Platform Committee Meeting ..... Columbus
- 12 Budget Analysis and Discussion Workshop ..... Columbus
- 15 Trick or tweet — legal concerns with the use of social media webinar
- 18 Southeast Region Executive Committee Meeting ..... Marietta
- 20 Board Candidate Workshop ..... Athens
- 22 Board Candidate Workshop ..Perrysburg
- 26 Last day to file (by 4 p.m.) as a write-in candidate for November election — RC 3513.041 (72 days prior to the election).
- 27 Board Candidate Workshop ..... Dayton

## September 2013

- 2 Treasurers' Clinic ..... Worthington
- 6 Treasurers' Clinic ..... Rootstown
- 10 Treasurers' Clinic ..... Athens
- 17 Board Candidate Workshop..Rootstown
- 18 Treasurers' Clinic ..... West Chester
- 24 Treasurers' Clinic ..... Perrysburg