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Veteran journalist Dan Rather confirmed for Capital Conference

Former "CBS Evening News" anchor and "60 Minutes" correspondent **Dan Rather** will be one of the keynote presenters at the 2011 OSBA Capital Conference and Trade Show in November. The veteran newsman will address the third general session on Nov. 16. The conference, one of the premier education conventions in the nation, runs Nov. 13-16 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center. Watch OSBA's website and publications for further updates on speakers and programs.

Missouri school boards group collecting donations for Joplin schools

The Missouri School Boards' Association is soliciting funds to help the Joplin School District following the deadly tornado that devastated the city on May 22. The district sustained catastrophic damage to at least 10 buildings, with loss estimates topping \$100 million. About 60% of the district's 8,000 students are displaced from their homes. Donations can be sent to MSBA FutureBuilders, Joplin Assistance Challenge Fund at 2100 I-70 Drive S.W., Columbia, MO 65203. Contributions are tax deductible and 100% of the donations will be sent to the Joplin School District.

OSBA gives fact sheets to legislators to influence state budget debate

As part of its public awareness campaign and lobbying efforts, OSBA is issuing a series of fact-filled fliers to state lawmakers promoting public school successes. The fact sheets use charts and bullet points to urge increased support for public education and demonstrate Ohio schools' importance to the state's future success. The fliers are posted at www.ohioschoolboards.org/quick-facts-about-ohio-public-schools.

Military study: National security depends on supporting education

In a recent report, "A National Strategic Narrative," Marine Col. **Mark Mykleby** and Navy Capt. **Wayne Porter** argue that U.S. national security strategy must move from "containment" to "sustainment." The officers, now special strategic assistants to the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, call for the first priority of a "sustainment" strategy to be the "intellectual capital and a sustainable infrastructure of education, health and social services to provide for the continuing development and growth of America's youth." Download the report at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/64575>.

NSBA launches campaign to deregulate federal programs

Recognizing that there will be no more federal stimulus funding, the National School Boards Association (NSBA) and American Association of School Administrators (AASA) are calling for regulatory relief from Elementary and Secondary Education Act mandates. Congress' reauthorization of the act is more than three years overdue. The

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campaign follows the release of an AASA study finding that further funding reductions will force school districts to cut another 227,000 jobs. Members of the education community are urged to sign an online petition, ask others to sign it and to contact their federal representatives. Sign the petition at <http://goo.gl/peJpe>.

Honda offers grants in exchange for volunteer time

In the Honda Hero Program, Honda associates, spouses and retirees volunteer to support the community programs of their choice. Honda rewards these volunteer hours with Dollars for Doers, \$250 grants made to eligible, nonprofit groups. The grants are made once an individual has volunteered 50 hours to one organization within a 12-month period. Nearly 1,800 members of the Honda family are enrolled in the program and have

Year-end locker cleanup goes green

When the last day of school rolls around, students finally have to clean out their lockers. In years past, kids would keep what they needed to take home and dump everything else in the trash.

But, stashed away among moldy sandwiches, stinky gym clothes and other detritus of the school year are tons of paper that can be recycled. **Perrysburg EV**, along with several community partners, conducts a year-end recycling program to keep all that paper from students' lockers and teachers' rooms from ending up in a landfill.

The city of Bowling Green loans the district large rolling curbside bins to collect the paper. Community Employment Services of Wood Lane drops off and picks up the bins, which are taken to the Bowling Green Recycling Center for processing.

Source: *The (Toledo) Blade*

earned more than \$ 1 million for nonprofit organizations since 1995. For program details, visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/86250>.

This month in OSBA history

A section of the state budget bill enacted in June 1995 changed the name of county offices of

education to educational service centers (ESCs) and required some county offices to merge by June 1, 1997. OSBA worked closely with ESCs to help them comply with the new requirement and increase their value as service providers.

OSBA online

● www.ohioschoolboards.org

OSBA selectively endorses outside providers to deliver products and services offering special value or unique benefits to member districts. Programs range from electricity purchasing, electronic governance and emergency notification to risk-management and unemployment compensation representation, online payment and purchasing systems, a wide variety of insurance coverage and much more. Are you ready to start saving money and increasing district efficiency? Then log on at www.ohioschoolboards.org/osba-endorsed-programs.



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OSBA executive searches

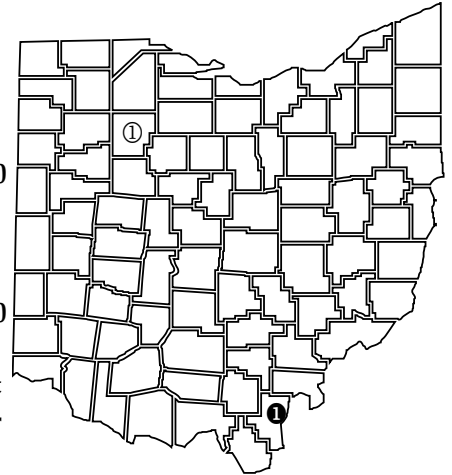
Superintendent

District	Deadline	Contact
① Gallipolis City	July 15	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000

Treasurer

District	Deadline	Contact
① Van Buren Local (Hancock)	June 30	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000

① = Superintendent
① = Treasurer



Other searches

Position	District	Deadline	Contact
Superintendent	Clearview Local (Lorain)	June 17	Dr. Thomas Rockwell, superintendent, Lorain County ESC, (440) 324-5777, ext. 1102
Treasurer	Princeton City	June 17	Steve Moore, board president, Princeton City, smoore@princetonschools.net
Treasurer	Garaway Local (Tuscarawas)	June 24	Kevin Spears, search consultant, East Central Ohio ESC, (330) 308-9939, ext. 8203
Treasurer	Mapleton Local (Ashland)	July 1	Dr. Eugene Linton, superintendent, Tri-County ESC, (330) 345-6771, ext. 232

National searches

Position	District	Deadline	Contact
Superintendent	Floyd County, Va.	June 30	Gina Patterson, assistant executive director, Virginia School Boards Association, (434) 295-8722

Board changes

Chesapeake Union EV appointed Curtis B. Anderson to the board effective May 18. He replaced William Pratt, who was appointed to the Lawrence County Board of Commissioners. ●●● Fairview Park City Board of Education appointed Tim

Editor's note

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

Mesaros to the board effective May 17. He replaced **Marcy L. Starks**, who resigned effective April 30. ●●● **Painesville City Local (Lake)** Board of Education member **John Ehrbar** resigned effective May 10 because he is moving out of the district.

Administrative changes

Superintendents

Ashland City hired Dr. **Douglas J. Marrah** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace **Mark A. Robinson**, who is retiring. Marrah is currently superintendent at **Minerva Local (Stark)**. ●●● **Berlin-Milan Local (Erie)** hired **Thomas C. Roth** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace **David H. Snook**, who is retiring. Roth is currently a middle school principal at **Lorain City**. ●●● **Buckeye Career Center** hired **Roger Bond** as superintendent effective July 1. He will replace Dr. **Paul A. Hickman**, who is resigning effective July 1. Bond is currently superintendent at **Indian Valley Local (Tuscarawas)**. ●●● **Clearview Local (Lorain)** Superintendent **Thomas Jama** announced his resignation effective Aug. 1. ●●● **Eastern Local (Meigs)** hired **Scot Gheen** as superintendent effective June 1. He replaced **Rick D. Edwards**, who took the superintendent position at **Athens-Meigs ESC**. Gheen was the district's high school principal. ●●● **Fairfield County ESC** hired **Daniel Montgomery** as superintendent effective July 1. He will replace Dr. **J. Larry Miller**, who is retiring June 30. Montgomery is currently assistant superintendent at **Licking County ESC**. ●●● **Gallipolis City** Superintendent **Jack W. Payton** announced his retirement effective July 29. ●●● **Green Local (Scioto)** hired **Sandra Mers** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. She will replace **Ron Lindsey**, who is resigning effective July 31. Mers is currently assistant superintendent at **South Point Local (Lawrence)**. ●●● **LaBrae Local (Trumbull)** hired **Anthony J. Calderone** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He replaces interim superintendent **Patrick N. Guliano**. Calderone is currently the high school principal at **Lordstown Local (Trumbull)**. ●●● **Mad River Local (Montgomery)** Superintendent **Michael J. Eaglowski** announced his resignation effective July 31. He has taken the superintendent position at **Upper Sandusky EV** effective Aug. 1. Eaglowski will replace **Kenneth J. Doseck**, who is retiring Aug. 1. ●●● **Mechanicsburg EV** Superintendent Dr. **Bobby L. Moore** announced his resignation effective June 1. He has taken the position of senior director of client engagement for Battelle for Kids. ●●● **McDonald Local (Trumbull)** Interim Superintendent **Ronald "Barry" Morrison** announced his resignation effective in June. ●●● **Minerva Local (Stark)** hired **Joe Chaddock** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. Chaddock is currently assistant superintendent at **Perry Local (Stark)**. ●●● **Northeastern Local (Clark)** hired Dr. **Louis A. Kramer** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace **Richard Broderick**, who is retiring. Kramer is currently the director of curriculum and instruction at **Mad River Local (Montgomery)**. ●●● **Patrick Henry Local (Henry)** hired **Thomas L. Taylor** as superintendent effective July 1. He will replace Dr. **Susan Miko**, who retired. Taylor is currently the district's treasurer. ●●● **Worthington City** hired Dr. **Thomas S. Tucker** as superintendent

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OSBA Executive Assistant position available

The Ohio School Boards Association is seeking an Executive Assistant to provide advanced administrative and support services to the Executive Director, Deputy Executive Director and Board of Trustees. Support services include typing, copying, preparing correspondence, receiving phone calls, maintaining records and managing calendars. Responsibilities also include planning and attending complex executive and board meetings; preparing agendas and taking minutes; coordinating special projects; organizing events; and serving as the liaison to selected committees. Must work independently; interact effectively with all levels of staff and management; demonstrate highly developed interpersonal skills, executive presence and integrity; and confidentially handle sensitive information and situations. Expert-level written and verbal communication, computer and organizational skills are essential. Five-plus years of experience in an executive-level position are preferred. High school diploma is required; college degree is a plus. Occasional evenings and weekends. Mail résumé, cover letter and salary requirements to: Executive Assistant Search, Ohio School Boards Association, 8050 N. High Street, Suite 100, Columbus, OH 43235. Application deadline is June 13, 2011. Electronic applications will not be accepted. EOE

Sports Law Workshop

Friday, June 24
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Embassy Suites Columbus Airport
Cost is \$140



AGENDA

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

9 a.m. OHSAA legal update
The workshop kicks off with a discussion on the latest initiatives of the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA), including concussion guidelines, the competitive balance proposal and more.
Daniel B. Ross, commissioner, OHSAA

10:15 a.m. Break

10:25 a.m. Pardon the interruption: athletic program FAQs
Using the format from the ESPN show with the same name, this lively session will answer some of the more frequently asked legal questions in the areas of eligibility, transportation, discipline and more.
Edmund F. Brown, Esq., Ulmer & Berne LLP, Columbus; and Jessica L. Spears, staff attorney, OSBA

10:55 a.m. Pay to play
Is your district considering transitioning to a pay-to-play program? Hear from four districts that recently implemented programs as they share what worked, what didn't and what steps you can take to ensure a smooth transition.
Panel: *Jeff Harrison, athletic director, Medina City; William Lodermeier, superintendent, Bath Local (Allen); James Sotlar, assistant superintendent, Pickerington Local (Fairfield); and Jan Wilking, athletic director, Oak Hills Local (Hamilton)*

11:30 a.m. Lunch (provided)

12:30 p.m. Ban a fan
Fans are a key component to sporting events, but they can also cause headaches for players, coaches and other spectators. This session will review some of the options available to districts for dealing with unruly, disruptive and/or disorderly parents and fans.
Mark Landes, Esq., Isaac, Brant, Ledman & Teetor LLP, Columbus

1:30 p.m. Break

1:45 p.m. Dealing with sticky situations
Athletic programs routinely face myriad "sticky situations," including dealing with donors, boosters, meddling boards, personnel changes and community pressures. This diverse panel will provide practical suggestions and identify best practices for handling these types of situations.
Panel: *R. Brent Minney, Esq., Pepple & Waggoner Ltd., Cleveland; Brian Kern, assistant treasurer, Dublin City; and Kendall A. Lee, school board services consultant, OSBA*
Moderator: *Sara C. Clark, deputy director of legal services, OSBA*

3 p.m. Adjourn

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

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 of running for a seat on a local board of education. Held Saturday, July 16, from 10 a.m. to noon, this workshop will be led by two veteran OSBA staff members and will allow time for questions.

This session is for people who are thinking about running for their school board and those current board of education members who were appointed to office.

Space is limited, so please contact OSBA Events Manager Laurie Miller at (614) 540-4000; (800) 589-OSBA; or 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. Learn more about this and other board candidate workshops at www.ohioschoolboards.org/event_listing.

Budget Analysis and Discussion (BAD) Seminar



Wednesday, Aug. 17, Hyatt Regency, Columbus

Attend the Budget Analysis and Discussion (BAD) Seminar for the most comprehensive information on the fiscal year 2012-13 state budget, Amended Substitute House Bill 153.

The General Assembly has faced unprecedented economic challenges in crafting a balanced budget. Hear about these challenges from some of the top policymakers and analysts in the state.

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.

This workshop is \$185 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 for registration information and directions.

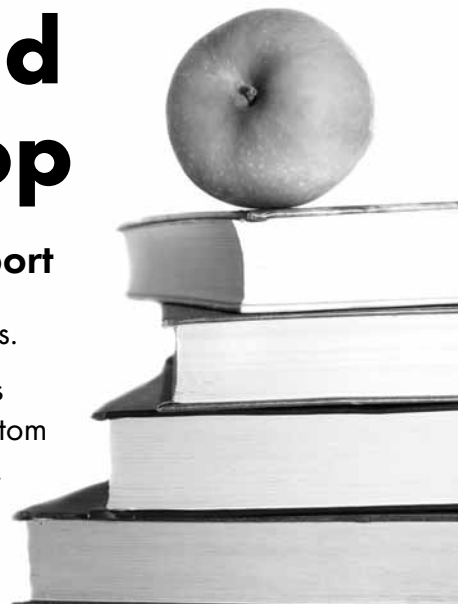
Attendance, Tuition and Custody Law Workshop

Friday, Aug. 5

Embassy Suites Columbus Airport

Cost: \$140, 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 and continental breakfast

9 a.m. Attendance and enrollment policy refresher

Start the day with a review of the board policies and district administrative guidelines governing attendance options, enrollment procedures and tuition issues.

Jessica L. Spears, staff attorney, OSBA

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. They're back ...

Columbus City School's in-house counsel will focus on the issues districts face when students return to their "home" school from community schools, home schooling, the Ohio Department of Youth Services or foster care.

Wanda T. Lillis, Esq., Columbus City Schools

11:30 a.m. Lunch (provided)

12:30 p.m. High-need/high-risk student issues — working with outside resources

District administrators routinely face complex situations with students and their families. This diverse panel will share best practices and highlight the resources available to assist administrators with complex issues regarding at-risk students and their families.

1:30 p.m. Break

1:40 p.m. Deciphering divorce decrees and other court orders

Court orders may determine which parent is entitled to enroll a student in school and who has the right and responsibility to sign important school documents and consent to school services. Get a primer on reading, understanding and modifying court orders.

Julie C. Martin, Esq., Scott, Scriven & Wahoff LLP, Columbus

2:25 p.m. When the attendance officer comes knocking ...

Have issues relating to student absences and truancy? Confused about when a doctor's note may be required? What can you do with 18-year-olds who has stopped coming to class? OSBA's chief legal counsel will address your questions on student absences and truancy.

Hollie F. Reedy, chief legal counsel, OSBA

3 p.m. Adjourn

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WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Sports Law Workshop

☐ June 24, Columbus, \$140

Pre-Board Candidate Workshop

☐ July 16, Columbus, free

Attendance, Tuition and Custody Law Workshop

☐ Aug. 5, Columbus, \$140

Budget Analysis and Discussion Seminar

☐ Aug. 17, Columbus, \$185

OSBA Workshop Registration Form

Workshop name _____ Workshop date _____
Attendee name _____ Title _____
Daytime phone _____ Email _____
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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 at Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org. Include a purchase order number with fax or email.



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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.

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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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www.ohioschoolboards.org. Events are listed at
the bottom of the page.

Cancellation and refund policy

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

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effective Aug. 1. He replaces Dr. **Melissa Conrath**, who is retiring effective June 30. Tucker is currently the superintendent at **Licking Heights Local (Licking)**.

Treasurers

Ravenna City hired **Phillip Butto** as treasurer effective May 16. He replaced **Jerrold Meyer**, who is retiring this summer. Butto was the treasurer at **Keystone Local (Lorain)**. ●●● **Westerville City** hired **Steve Huzicko** as interim treasurer effective May 9. He replaced **J. Scott Gooding**, who resigned to take a position at the **ESC of Central Ohio**.

Sympathies

Former **Canton City** Superintendent **Dianne Talarico** died May 17. She was 53. ●●● Former **Cincinnati City** Superintendent **Donald R. Waldrip** died May 4. He was 82. ●●● Former **Clyde-Green Springs EV** Board of Education member **Gerald F. "Jerry" Richardson** died May 9. He was 79. ●●● Former **East Liverpool City** Board of Education member **Delmas A. Sanford** died May 15. He was 83. ●●● Former **Independence Local (Cuyahoga)** Board of Education member **Glen A. Wilson Jr.** died May 21. He was 86. ●●● Former **Medina City** Board of Education member **William G. Batchelder Jr.** died May 7. He was 96. ●●● **Kenneth W. Robinson**, a member of the former **Plainfield** Board of Education in Coshocton County, died May 27. He was 92. ●●● Former **Richmond Heights Local (Cuyahoga)** Board of Education member **Albertine Hoover** died May 17. She was 93. ●●● Former **Southern Local (Columbiana)** Treasurer **Joan Dixon** died May 27. She was 86. ●●● Former **Windham EV** Board of Education member **Catherine Purdy** died May 19. She was 91.



NEWS

by Cheryl W. Ryan, school board services consultant

OSBA offers reduced rate for facilitated summer retreats

Remember the days when the summer break meant a long vacation? For most board members and administrators, the summers have become useful for getting work done. Perhaps that work is accomplished in a more "dressed down" atmosphere with the fans blowing, but the work doesn't stop! Tasks associated with evaluation and assessment of the past year's work and planning for the next are often prominent in June, July and August.

Summer board retreats provide the opportunity to discuss certain

topics in greater depth, address challenges, get to know administrative team members better, discuss new ideas or projects, or rework processes that need board review or feedback.

The OSBA Division of School Board Services is pleased to present a new opportunity for members this summer only. During July and August, OSBA will offer districts professional facilitation of your leadership team's summer retreat. Priced significantly less than our normal customized workshop, an OSBA

board services consultant will work with your board and superintendent to outline and facilitate a three-hour agenda that will help you be fully ready for the new school year. Districts that schedule their facilitated summer retreat during July or August may do so for the reduced rate of only \$600.

Should you wish to discuss or book your board's summer retreat using OSBA's professional facilitators, please call OSBA at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA while openings are still available.



LEGISLATIVE REPORT

by Michelle Francis, lobbyist

OSBA testifies on ammended biennial budget bill

Recently, the Senate Finance Committee accepted a new substitute version of the state's biennial budget bill, Substitute House Bill (HB) 153. Several changes were made to the House version of the bill, including the addition of \$115 million for primary and secondary education over the next two years.

However, K-12 education will lose about \$2.8 billion over the biennium with the loss of the Tangible Personal Property (TPP) Tax replacement payments and the loss of the federal stimulus dollars. District-by-district simulations of the Senate version are available by visiting OSBA's BillTracker Web page at www.ohioschoolboards.org/129th-general-assembly and searching "HB 153."

Of the \$115 million added by the Senate, about \$85 million would pay for a state foundation aid guarantee. The guarantee would be based on fiscal year (FY) 2011 state basic aid funding (excluding federal stimulus dollars). About 162 districts would benefit from the state "hold harmless" in FY 12 and 171 would benefit in FY 13.

The other \$30 million is marked as an incentive for districts rated "Excellent" or "Excellent with Distinction" on the state report card. These districts would get an

additional \$17 per pupil. A list of these districts and their amounts also is available on the HB 153 BillTracker page.

In addition to funding changes, the Senate made significant policy changes to the bill, including:

- creating the special education voucher program;
- removing several community (charter) school expansion provisions added by the House;
- including gifted education students' performance in new district performance and expenditure reports;
- removing teacher evaluation, merit pay and reduction-in-force provisions added by the House.
- restoring a modified version of Healthcare Pooling provisions.
- authorizing school districts to levy a combined property/income tax.

While the Senate removed most of the charter school provisions added by the House, they also added their own provisions related to school choice:

- removes House provisions that grant charter school operators new authority and allows them to be for-profit entities if they provide programmatic oversight and support to a community school;
- removes House provisions exempting charter schools from state laws;

- removes changes to law regarding charter school governing authorities and operator contracts with governing authorities;
- removes House provisions allowing a for-profit entity to sponsor charter schools;
- prohibits a charter school sponsor from selling any goods or services to a school sponsored by the sponsor;
- removes provision allowing the establishment of charter schools without sponsors;
- removes provision prohibiting entities from refusing to sponsor certain charter schools;
- removes provision making the renewal of a charter school sponsorship contract subject to approval by the school's operator;
- reinstates current law regarding the termination of sponsor contracts with charter schools;
- allows charter school sponsors to expand their sponsorship if 80% of their schools rank in the top 95% of all schools on the performance index for three years;
- allows any charter school rated in the top 50% on the state's performance index to be guaranteed a lease for \$1 on school property that has been unused for two years;
- removes House language requiring school districts to cede

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PUBLIC SCHOOLS WORK!

compiled by Gary Motz, editorial manager

Salem students 'step up' for special needs students

A class of **Salem City** students recently used their woodworking talents to raise money for an outdoor education camp for special needs students.

Students in Salem High School's wood technology class, led by instructor **Ken Peters**, built step stools in the Stepping Up for Our Community project. They sold each stool for a \$100 donation to the **Columbiana County ESC** Outdoor Education Program and presented donors with certificates

of appreciation.

To raise the \$4,000 needed to fund this year's camp, the students built 40 step stools, plus some extra stools to pay for stain, screws and the certificates. Three local residents donated the wood and some special tools.

The young woodworkers put in time after school and on weekends to build the stools. They developed a concept for the project, created a production plan, designed jigs and fixtures, assembled the stools and

stained them.

The two-day outdoor camp, in its 25th year, is financed solely through donations. After hearing that funds were low this year, Peters and his students came forward to help.

"I think they deserve applause for this," ESC Outdoor Education Program Coordinator **Susan Wenderoth** told a local newspaper. "They did a wonderful job."

Source: *The* (East Liverpool) *Review*

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unused property to charter schools, while at the same requiring those with facilities not in use for two years to offer the right of first refusal to charter schools in the district for lease "at fair market value";

- expands definition of "challenged school district" for purposes of charters.

As previously mentioned, the Senate's version of the bill added special education vouchers. OSBA is adamantly opposed to the creation of the Special Education Voucher Program. We believe that the current system is designed to meet the individual needs of students and are concerned that the Special Education Voucher

Program could result in undermining services for students. We shared our concerns when we presented joint testimony with the Ohio Association of School Business Officials and Buckeye Association of School Administrators to the Senate Finance Committee on the Senate's proposed changes.

For a copy of our testimony, along with accompanying data regarding the proposed budget's effect on school districts, visit BillTracker and search "HB 153."

Watch for the latest budget information in Calls to Action and "Facts in a Flash."

For the latest legislative updates, please contact the OSBA legislative services division at (614) 540-4000

or (800) 589-OSBA.

Editor's Note: All information in this article was current as of June 3, 2011.

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- 13 Changes in administering medicine
webinar
- 24 OSBA Sports Law
Workshop Columbus
- 30 2010-2011 school year ends — RC 3313.62.

July 2011

- 1 2011-2012 school year begins — RC 3313.62; last day for board to notify teaching and nonteaching employees of succeeding year salaries — RC 3319.082, 3319.12; board may adopt appropriation measure, which may be temporary — RC 5705.38(B); treasurer must certify available revenue in funds to county auditor — RC 5705.36(A)(1).
- 5 Last day for voter registration for August election — RC 3503.01, 3503.19 (30 days prior to the election).
- 6 OSBA Central Region Executive Committee Meeting Columbus
- 10 Last day for termination of teaching contract by a teacher without consent of the board of education — RC 3319.15.
- 15 Last day to adopt school library district tax budget on behalf of a library district — RC 5705.28(B)(1).

- 16 OSBA Pre-Board Candidate
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- 29 Semiannual campaign finance reports due (by 4 p.m.) detailing contributions and expenditures through June 30, 2011 — RC 3517.10(A)(4) (last business day of July).

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- 1 Last day to file statistical report with Ohio Department of Education — RC 3319.33; last day to submit certification for November income tax levy to Ohio Department of Taxation — RC 5748.02(A) (100 days prior to the election).
- 2 OSBA Southwest Region Executive Committee Meeting College Corner
- 2 Special Election Day — RC 3501.01 (first Tuesday after the first Monday).
- 3 OSBA Northeast Region Executive Committee Meeting TBD
- 5 OSBA Attendance, Tuition and Custody Law Workshop Columbus
- 5 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 before election).

- 10 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 or conversion levy for November election to board of elections — RC 5705.195, 5705.219(G), 5748.02(C); 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).
- 13 OSBA Legislative Platform Committee Meeting Columbus
- 14 OSBA Southeast Region Executive Committee Meeting Logan
- 17 OSBA Budget Analysis & Discussion (BAD) Seminar Columbus