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Jane Pauley among OSBA Capital Conference General Session speakers

Award-winning broadcast journalist **Jane Pauley** will address the Third General Session at the OSBA Capital Conference. The First General Session speaker is **Leland Melvin**, a former space shuttle astronaut and NASA associate administrator for education. Dr. **Milton Chen**, a leading figure in educational media for more than 20 years, will speak at the Second General Session. The conference, Nov. 8-11 in Columbus, also features more than 150 learning sessions, countless networking opportunities and a world-class trade exhibition. For details, including a cost-saving school district group registration rate, visit <http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org>.

2015 conference registration materials will soon be sent to districts

Registration packets and the program for the OSBA Capital Conference and Trade Show will be mailed in early July. The program is being sent to board members, superintendents, treasurers, Ohio Council of School Board Attorneys members and sustaining members. It has information on speakers, workshops, special events, hotels and registration. Registration packets are going to superintendents and treasurers; board members should contact their treasurer to register for the conference and special events. Visit <http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org> for conference details.

OSBA, OASBO, CompManagement program nets schools \$4 million

An OSBA, Ohio Association of School Business Officials (OASBO) and CompManagement program earned nearly \$4 million in rebates for districts participating in the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC) group retrospective rating program. The program allows similar employers to combine their BWC experience to potentially earn rebates based upon good claims performance. For more information, contact OSBA's **Van D. Keating** at (614) 540-4000 or vkeating@ohioschoolboards.org.

New federal report examines state of public school safety

A new study released by the National Center for Education Statistics provides nationally representative data on public school safety and discipline for the 2013-14 school year. The report presents results from a survey that collected data on specific safety and discipline plans and practices; training for classroom staff; security personnel; frequency of discipline problems; and number of incidents of various offenses. Access the report at <http://nces.ed.gov/pubs2015/2015051.pdf>.

Battelle for kids honors OSBA for 'years of dedicated partnership'

Battelle for Kids presented OSBA with its Friend of Battelle for Kids Award June 10 in Columbus. OSBA President **Ed Penrod**, **Logan-Hocking Local (Hocking)** and **Tri-**

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County Career Center, accepted the award on the association's behalf. The award recognizes OSBA for its longtime partnership with Battelle in promoting and improving Ohio students' educational opportunities. Founded in 2001, Battelle is a not-for-profit group working with education organizations in nearly 30 states to enhance student education by supporting the educators who work with them every day.

OHSAA to sponsor boys, girls lacrosse beginning 2016-17

The Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) has announced that boys and girls lacrosse will become an OHSAA-sponsored sport beginning in the 2016-17 school year. Lacrosse will be a spring sport, with the first OHSAA statewide tournament series launching in 2017. For more information, visit <http://links.ohio>

Chillicothe students get head start on movie careers

A group of **Chillicothe City** elementary school students recently created and starred in their own movie.

Students in Allen Elementary School's Movie Club wrote, directed and acted in "Atlas and the Raid for Power." They spent all school year working on the project, and last month got to watch the finished product.

The club's founder, **Marcus McKillip**, had organized a film festival at a previous school he worked at. "Filmmaking can teach many different things, including teamwork, leadership and self-expression ... Plus, it's a lot of fun," he told a local newspaper.

To find out what "Atlas and the Raid for Power" is all about, visit <http://allenmovieclub.com>.

Source: *Chillicothe Gazette*

schoolboards.org/40603.

ODE website lists locations of free summer meals programs

Is there a Summer Food Service Program in your area that children can take advantage of? Find out by visiting <http://education.ohio.gov/KidsEat>. The United States

Department of Agriculture food program is offered through the Ohio Department of Education. It provides free meals to low-income children during school vacations.

Student Achievement Fair deadline just days away

The deadline to nominate programs for the 2015 Student Achievement Fair at the OSBA Capital Conference is June 26. The fair features 100 booths displaying innovative student programs and five student entertainment groups. For details, visit <http://links.ohio.schoolboards.org/20222>.

OSBA online

● www.ohioschoolboards.org

Have you seen OSBA's "Rapid Roundup" recently? If not, go to <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/96030> and see what you've been missing. The program offers a monthly, two-minute overview of the latest OSBA videos and public education news.



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BULLETIN BOARD

compiled by Melanie Price, administrative assistant of communication services

OSBA executive searches

Superintendent

District

① Celina City

Deadline

July 3

Contact

OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000

Treasurer

District

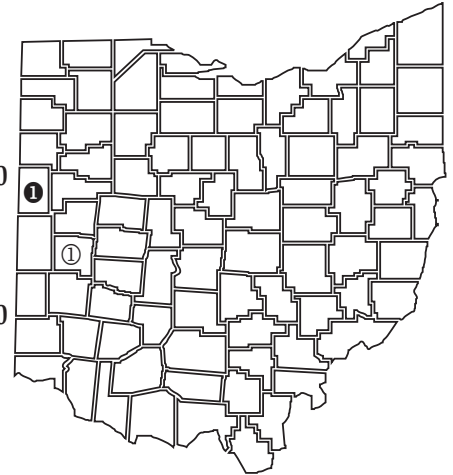
① Tipp City EV

Deadline

June 29

Contact

OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000



Other searches

Position

Superintendent

District

East Holmes Local (Holmes)

Deadline

July 3

Contact

James Ritchie, superintendent,
Tri-County ESC, (330) 345-6771, ext. 233

Board changes

Elyria City appointed **Jim Backs** to the board effective May 20. He replaced **Evelyn C. France**, who resigned due to health reasons. ●●● **Nordonia Hills City** Board of Education member **James E. Virost** announced his resignation effective May 26. ●●● **Rocky River City** Board of Education member **Jay Milano** announced his resignation effective May 21 due to moving out of the district. ●●● **Springfield City** appointed **Chris Williams** to the board effective June 4. He replaced **Donna Picklesimer**, who resigned. ●●● **Woodmore Local (Sandusky)** appointed **Dan Hoppe** to the board effective May 31. He replaced **Grant Cummings**, who resigned.

Administrative changes

Superintendents

Athens City Superintendent **Carl Martin** announced his retirement effective July 31. ●●● **Batavia Local (Clermont)** hired **Keith D. Millard** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace Interim Superintendent **Barbara Bradley**. Millard currently is the assistant superintendent for instruction at **Hamilton City**. ●●● **Hopewell-Loudon Local (Seneca)** hired **Rodney D. Russell** as interim superintendent effective June 2. He replaced **Nicole Jiran**, who took the director of teaching and learning position at **Marion City**. Russell previously was the superintendent at **Vanlue Local (Hancock)**. ●●● **Madison Local (Lake)** hired Assistant Superintendent **Angela M. Smith** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. She will replace Dr. **Roger J. Goudy**, who is has taken the position of president at the Amateur Athletic Union. ●●● **Northwestern**

Editor's note

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

Local (Clark) hired **Jesse D. Steiner** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace **Anthony T. Orr**, who took the superintendent position at **Hamilton City**. Steiner currently is the superintendent at **Celina City**. ●●● **North Union Local (Union)** hired **Richard Baird** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace Dr. **Richard D. Smith**, who took the superintendent position at **Ohio Hi-Point Career Center**. Baird currently is a middle school principal at **Dublin City**. ●●● **Zanesville City** hired Dr. **Charles Doug Baker** as superintendent effective July 1. He will replace **Terry M. Martin**, who is retiring. Baker currently is the assistant superintendent at **New Philadelphia City**. ●●● **Big Walnut Local (Delaware)** hired **Mark Cooper** as assistant superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace Assistant Superintendent **Angela Pollock**, who was hired as the district's superintendent. Cooper currently is an elementary school principal in the district. ●●● **Cuyahoga Falls City** hired Human Resources Director **Melvin J. Brown** as deputy superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace **Mark G. Gleichauf**, who took the superintendent position at **Brooklyn City**. ●●● **Forest Hills Local (Hamilton)** hired **Michael R. Broadwater** as assistant superintendent effective Aug. 1. He currently is a high school principal in the district. ●●● **North Canton City** hired **Kelly Dever** as assistant superintendent effective Aug. 1. She will replace **Debra Kennedy**, who is retiring effective July 31. Dever currently is the coordinator of achievement and accountability at **Green Local (Wayne)**.



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. Set for Saturday, July 25, from 10 a.m. to noon at the OSBA office in Columbus, this workshop will be led by two veteran OSBA staff members and include 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 contact OSBA Senior 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/workshops.

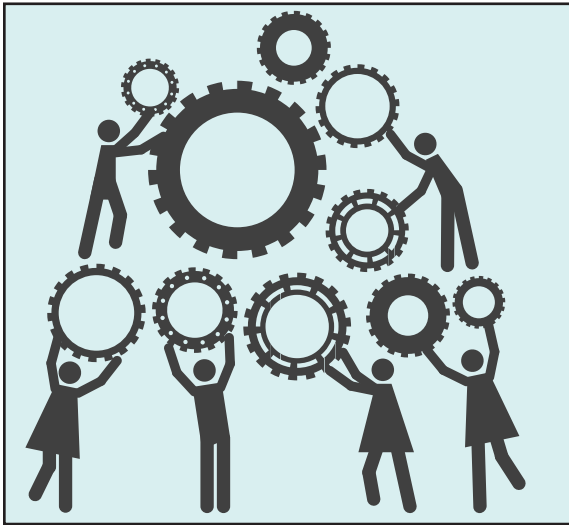
Treasurers

Avon Local (Lorain) Treasurer **James M. Hudson** announced his resignation. He has taken the treasurer position at **New London Local (Huron)**, replacing **Susan K. Guthrie**, who is resigning July 31. Hudson also will continue as treasurer at **Cloverleaf Local (Medina)**. ●●● **Crestline EV** hired **Tonya Boyd** as treasurer effective June 15. She replaced **Bradd Stevens**, who took the treasurer position at **Clear Fork Valley Local (Richland)**. Boyd previously was the assistant treasurer at **Cardington-Lincoln Local (Morrow)**. ●●● **Marion City** hired **Veronica T. Reinhart** as treasurer effective Aug. 1. She will replace **Robert L. Wood**, who is retiring. Reinhart currently is the treasurer at **Hopewell-Loudon Local (Seneca)**.

Sympathies

Former **Coshocton City** Board of Education member **Carl Neiss Jr.** died May 26. He was 91. ●●● Former **Genoa Area Local (Ottawa)** Board of Education member **John F. "Jack" Werner** died May 16. He was 91. ●●● Former **Hamilton City** Board

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Beyond Surveys and Focus Groups: Engagement as a Partnership

Lessons from three years of intensive community engagement

Friday, July 31

OSBA office, Columbus

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Cost is \$150

Dive deep into lessons learned from a large suburban district's community engagement initiative, then apply these lessons to your schools. Both large and small school districts can use these strategies to build small pockets of intimacy with community members to work together toward a shared purpose. Along the way, transform engagement from lip service to an essential part of whole-system change that challenges parents, staff and community members to be interdependent and collectively responsible for the future of their children's public education. This highly interactive session will include a workbook and small group dialogue so participants can learn from each other and track their own engagement experiments.

Registration will begin at 8:30 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.



Budget Analysis and Discussion (BAD) Seminar

Monday, Aug. 10, Hilton Columbus/Polaris

Attend the Budget Analysis and Discussion (BAD) Seminar for the most in-depth analysis on the fiscal year 2016-17 state budget, Amended Substitute House Bill (HB) 64.

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.

Plan to attend the BAD Seminar on Aug. 10 at the Hilton Columbus/Polaris. The workshop is from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., with registration beginning at 8:15 a.m. Learn 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/bad-workshop for registration information and directions.

Attendance, Tuition and Custody Law Workshop

Friday, Aug. 7

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

Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center, Lewis Center

Cost: \$160, 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. Making sense of court orders and custody documents

Shared parenting orders, kinship arrangements, caretaker affidavits and other custody arrangements can present issues when enrolling students and determining if individuals should have access to student records. A domestic relations magistrate and school law attorney discuss some of these important issues. Bring your questions for the Q&A portion of this session.

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. Views from the bench and the trench: attendance challenges

A magistrate and school representative discuss truancy and attendance issues among juvenile offenders, emancipated minors and adult students. Leave with practical tips for leveraging your local resources to address attendance challenges with these student populations.

11:30 a.m. Lunch (provided)

12:30 p.m. The top 10 EMIS coding mistakes

The Ohio Department of Education's Education Management Information System (EMIS) team members share the most frequent EMIS coding mistakes school districts make. Bring your coding questions.

1:30 p.m. Break

1:45 p.m. Registering and placing immigrant students

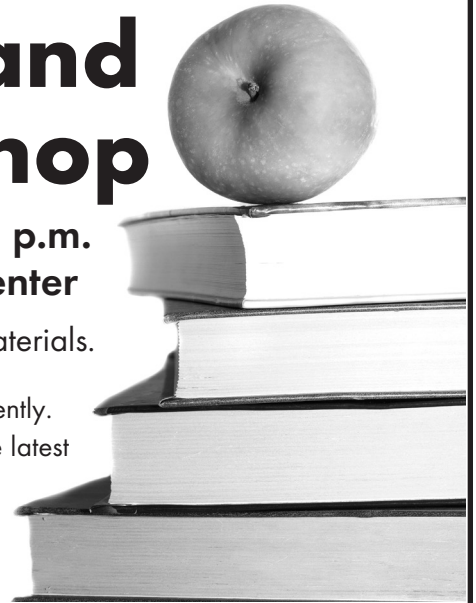
As Ohio's population becomes more diverse, districts will encounter increasingly diverse student needs. Learn about the issues school districts face, including the types of documents that are acceptable for enrolling foreign-born students, registering undocumented students and age-related placement options for English-language learners.

2:45 p.m. Open enrollment policies and procedures

Ohio law permits school districts to make their own decisions on whether they will permit open enrollment. A school law attorney discusses model policies and procedural issues that may arise with open enrollment, including what documentation you can request, setting capacity limits and the impact of enrollment policies on the new College Credit Plus program.

3:30 p.m. Adjourn

The workshop will be held at Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center (formerly NorthPointe Hotel & Conference Center), 100 Green Meadows Drive South, Lewis Center, 43035. The phone number is (614) 880-4300. 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.



State Report Card Workshop

Perplexed by your state report card? Learn what you need to know.

Saturday, Aug. 8
OSBA office, Columbus

9 a.m. to Noon
Cost is \$90



You don't know what you don't know. We hear this all the time and when it comes to the new state report card, that statement has never been more true. Learn what you need to know to help you and your fellow board members be more effective in your board work.

- Gain an understanding of report card accountability measures and implications for anticipated changes to the system.
- Work with your district's report card and learn what you can convey to your stakeholders.
- Gain valuable tips for using the data to effectively guide local policy decisions.

Presenters will be Dr. **Judy Jackson May**, associate professor of educational administration and leadership studies at Bowling Green State University and OSBA northwest regional manager; and **Jacqueline Burke**, senior director of strategic measures, Battelle for Kids. This workshop is hosted by the Urban School District Advisory Network.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Cost for the workshop is \$90 per attendee, and includes lunch and materials. Register online at www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops or contact **Laurie Miller**, senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org.



Celebrate the stars in your district at the **OSBA Student Achievement Fair**

Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2015 • 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. • Greater Columbus Convention Center

The OSBA Capital Conference Student Achievement Fair highlights outstanding student performance groups and fresh, innovative initiatives from school districts across the state. The fair will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2015, during the OSBA Capital Conference and Trade Show.

Student Achievement Fair performing groups

OSBA will choose one school district performing group from each of the association's five regions to perform during the Student Achievement Fair. Each group will perform for 20 minutes. To nominate a performing group, submit a nomination at <http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org/2015/saf-nominations> and email an electronic video audition or YouTube link to **Cheryl W. Ryan**, deputy director of school board services, at cryan@ohioschoolboards.org. Only electronic recordings will be accepted.



Student Achievement Fair district programs

OSBA is accepting nominations for district programs that improve student achievement. For ideas, visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/60021> to view the list of 2014 Student Achievement Fair district programs.

One hundred programs highlighting student achievement will be selected. The online application is available at the link below.

The nomination deadline is Friday, June 26. Visit <http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org/2015/saf-nominations> to nominate a student performing group or district program today!



WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

OSBA Pre-Board Candidate Workshop

☐ July 25, Columbus, free

Attendance, Tuition and Custody Law Workshop

☐ Aug. 7, Columbus, \$160

Budget Analysis and Discussion Seminar

☐ Aug. 10, Columbus, \$195

Beyond Surveys and Focus Groups: Engagement as a Partnership

☐ July 31, Columbus, \$150

State Report Card Workshop

☐ Aug. 8, 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.



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Phone
or fax

OSBA Registration Hotline,
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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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of Education member Dr. **James R. Carr** died May 28. He was 89. ●●● Former **Harrison Hills City** Superintendent Dr. **Ronzel D. Minney** died June 1. He was 88. ●●● Former **Mapleton Local (Ashland)** Board of Education member **Laura R. Bates** died June 1. She was 82. ●●● Former **Massillon City** Board of Education member **Phillip P.K. Jones** died May 20. He was 59. ●●● Former **Miami Trace Local (Fayette)** Board of Education member **Marvin M. DeMent** died May 20. He was 90. ●●● Former **Perry Local (Allen)** Board of Education member **Robert W. Swick** died May 23. He was 94.



NEWS

by Amanda Finney, senior marketing coordinator

Longtime OSBA staff member retires from association

Senior Administrative Associate of Search Services **Debby Hoopes** retired from the association May 29 after serving OSBA for 10 years. Hoopes was a member of the Division of School Board Services.

During her decade at OSBA, she assisted with superintendent, treasurer and other administrator searches. Her duties included coordinating, processing, filing and updating search candidates' files and information; compiling monthly division reports; preparing correspondence; and scheduling appointments and meetings for division personnel.

Hoopes said she greatly appreciated and enjoyed her time at OSBA, and will greatly miss the special bonds she enjoyed with her colleagues. She said she also will miss managing the Student Achievement Fair, both before and during the OSBA Capital Conference. While at OSBA, she ably organized, managed and participated in 11 Student Achievement Fairs, each of which

featured 100 booths of student projects and programs, five student performing groups and a fine arts exhibit.

Hoopes has many great plans for her retirement. She looks forward to relaxing, spending more time with her husband, **Bill**, and not having to hear the alarm clock ring at 4:30 a.m. She also plans to explore new hiking trails

in Delaware County with her Cairn terrier dogs, Lizzie and Skye. In addition, she looks forward to early morning rides on her horse, Tuffy, and visiting a local observatory. A cooking class and home projects also are planned.

OSBA thanks Hoopes for her hard work and dedication, and wishes her nothing but the best in the future.

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Did you know that switching to paperless board meetings could help your school district save time and money and become more effective for as little as \$2,700 per year? OSBA proudly endorses BoardDocs paperless governance solutions. As the pioneer of eGovernance, BoardDocs has helped more than 1,000 organizations worldwide improve board effectiveness, reduce the time required to create and manage board packets by up to 75% and dramatically reduce costs. In fact, by using BoardDocs, many school districts report savings in the thousands – even tens of thousands – per year. Currently, more than 70 Ohio districts are saving money with BoardDocs by going paperless.

Register for a free one-hour webinar on Tuesday, July 14, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. to learn more. Register at <https://www.boarddocs.com/event.nsf/ViewEvent/OSBA2015-02>. For questions about these webinars, contact **Laura Vautour**, BoardDocs e-governance specialist, at (800) 407-0141, ext. 3521, or Lvautour@boarddocs.com.



LEGISLATIVE REPORT

by Jay Smith, deputy director of legislative services

Biennial budget process coming to a close

The Ohio Senate unveiled its version of the biennial budget legislation, House Bill (HB) 64, on June 9. Following its introduction, the full Senate Finance Committee held three days of hearings on the changes made to the House's proposed plan. OSBA jointly testified with the Buckeye Association of School Administrators (BASA) and Ohio Association of School Business Officials (OASBO) on June 11.

The following is a brief list of funding provisions and changes

included in the Senate proposal. These provisions would:

- remove the House income adjusted chargeoff for the determination of the state/local share;
- reinstate the current State Share Index (SSI) calculation;
- reinstate, but modify, the current income adjustment to the SSI;
- retain the House gain cap percentage of 7.5%;
- retain the basic aid, gifted, special education, career-tech and poverty assistance per-pupil funding amounts from the executive and House versions;
- retain the pupil transportation funding formula from the executive and House versions;
- add supplemental funding that is not subject to the cap for transportation and technology for qualifying districts (based on low density);
- add incentive funding for graduation achievement and third-grade reading achievement that is not subject to the cap;
- permit career-tech funding to grow above the capped amount beginning in fiscal year (FY) 2017;
- retain the House capacity measure component of targeted assistance (the per-pupil/per-mill calculation), but reduce its strength from 5 mills to 2 mills;
- create an additional calculation to targeted assistance funding for districts with more than 10% of agriculture real property;
- retain the House per-pupil guarantee (guarantees minimum funding at 20% of basic aid amount), but phases it in at 15% in FY '16 and 25% in FY '17;
- increase ESC funding over the executive and House proposal to \$35 per pupil per year;
- retain the planned executive phaseout of tangible personal property (TPP) and public utility tangible personal property (PUTPP) tax replacement payments, but retain the House TPP/PUTPP tax supplement that ensures districts will not receive less total state funding than in FY15 (combined state formula aid and TPP/PUTPP tax).

The impact of the school-funding formula changes proposed by the Senate version of HB 64 varies among districts across the state. OSBA, BASA and OASBO continue to support the House-proposed school-funding plan, as it more effectively addresses issues of disparity when fully funded (and in future years). It has been an important goal of our organizations for many years to seek a funding formula that provides all districts

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OSBA Contract Analysis Service

OSBA provides a cost-effective professional analysis of both certified and classified collective bargaining agreements. These written reviews serve as a critique of current contract provisions, suggest potential pitfalls regarding legal compliance and provide specific recommendations as you go into your next round of collective bargaining.

Contact **Van D. Keating**, director of management services, at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA for more information.



PUBLIC SCHOOLS WORK!

compiled by Gary Motz, editorial manager

14-year-old girl graduates from southwest Ohio high school

A 14-year-old **Springboro Community City** student recently graduated from high school with honors. When she received her diploma on June 6, **Emma Morris** became the youngest graduate in the history of Springboro High School.

Emma earned a 4.0 GPA — which ranked her 20th in the class of 423 students. During her school career, she skipped three grades and scored a perfect 36 on the math portion of the ACT.

“She is a very motivated learner,” Principal **Kyle Martin** told a local newspaper.

Her parents said they knew she was gifted at an early age when she excelled in kindergarten and passed algebra when she was a 9-year-old.

“We decided we’d rather see her get B’s and be challenged than skate through, get A’s and get bored,” her father, **Andrew Morris**, said.

But, she never received lower

than an A-.

Martin introduced Emma and another early graduate, **Ally Watson**, at a May 28 school board meeting, where both students received a round of applause.

Emma will begin attending Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology in Terre Haute, Ind., next month. She plans to study electrical engineering. Ally is going to Reed College in Portland, Ore., to study linguistics.

Source: The Associated Press

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and their students with the resources necessary to provide quality educational opportunities.

After a thorough analysis by the Ohio Education Policy Institute (OEPI), the majority of district typology groups do better under the House proposal when fully funded compared to both the Senate and the executive proposals.

We continue to have significant concerns about the planned phaseout of the TPP and PUTPP tax replacement payments as well as the fiscal “cliff” some districts will face at the end of the biennium. While we support the protection of the TPP/PUTPP tax supplement, we have urged lawmakers to work toward a permanent solution.

Other parts of the Senate substitute bill that we oppose include provisions that would:

- eliminate February special elections and mandate a 65% down payment in advance for the estimated cost of a special election;
- retain the executive and House provision permitting community schools to propose a levy with authority from the resident school district board of education;
- allow students to attend College Credit Plus courses over the summer (no additional funding for these courses appears to be provided);
- remove the House-proposed study group on pupil transportation;

● require tiered zero-tolerance policies;

● increase the Jon Peterson Scholarship amount by 35%.

It is crucial that you contact your legislators immediately to let them know your views on the new version of the bill. A conference committee has convened, with a deadline of June 30 for getting the legislation to the governor’s office.

If you have questions, contact the OSBA Division of Legislative Services. For the latest updates, news and alerts, log into OSBA’s Billtracker page at www.ohio.schoolboards.org/billtracker.

Editor’s note: All information in this article was current as of June 12.

June 2015

30 2014-2015 school year ends — RC 3313.62;
end of third ADM reporting period — RC
3317.03(A).

July 2015

1 2015-2016 school year begins — RC
3313.62; last day for board to notify teaching
and nonteaching employees of succeeding
year salaries — RC 3319.12, 3319.082;
board may begin to 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).

6 Last day for voter registration for August
election — RC 3503.01, 3503.19(A) (30
days prior to the election).

8 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.

14 BoardDocs webinar

15 Last day to adopt school library district tax
budget on behalf of a library district — RC
5705.28(B)(1).

21 Last day to submit certification for
November conversion levy to tax
commissioner — RC 5705.219(B) (105 days
prior to election).

25 Pre-Board Candidate
Workshop Columbus

27 Last day to submit certification for
November income tax levy to Ohio
Department of Taxation — RC 5748.02(A)
(100 days prior to election).

31 Beyond Surveys and Focus Groups:
Engagement as a Partnership
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.) detailing contributions and
expenditures through June 30, 2015 — RC
3517.10(A)(4); 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).

August 2015

1 Last day to submit to the Ohio Department
of Education a plan to require students to
access and complete online classroom lessons
("blizzard bags") in order to make up hours
for which it was necessary to close schools
— RC 3313.482; last day to file statistical
report with Ohio Department of Education
— RC 3319.33.

3 Southwest Region Executive Committee
meeting..... TBD

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 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).