

# OSBA Policy Services



# Every district needs clear, concise policies to run effectively

Does your district currently have a well-organized, comprehensive, practical and up-to-date policy manual? Are your current policies set up to reflect your board's needs? Are your current policies compliant?

Well-written policies are a necessity for every school district. The right policies bring prudent change to your district and communicate to the school community the board's standards.

OSBA understands limited time is available to board members to draft policies and keep up with policy development, which is an ongoing process. Your association understands your challenges and time constraints and has created essential policy services with the board's perspective in mind.

# **Benefits of OSBA Policy Services**

To best serve your district's unique needs, OSBA offers several policy services with varying levels of assistance to ensure your success. Below are just some of the immediate benefits you receive when working with OSBA:

- experienced OSBA policy consultants offer superior service, expertise and guidance for all your policy needs;
- policy consultants are supported by the expertise of OSBA's legal, legislative, labor relations, school board services and transportation consulting staff;
- OSBA policy services are offered at competitive rates and consultants meet with your district at your board's convenience;
- OSBA policy services are always approached from the board's point of view.

## **Get started today**

Contact OSBA Policy Services at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA to learn how consultants can help you review and update your policies to keep your district legally compliant.

# OSBA Policy Services can help you create up-to-date policies to fit your district's needs.

"Working with OSBA to create our new district policy was incredibly easy and very rewarding from start to finish. Our policy consultant was extremely knowledgeable and worked us through every element in our policy and offered expert advisement tailored to the needs of our administration and board. The monumental task of creating new policy was made painless because of the consultant's accessibility and other valuable OSBA representatives during and after the process."

 Kevin Spicher, superintendent, Howland Local (Trumbull)

"There are many people and departments involved with board policy and there are many pieces that need to be brought together. These policies set the standards. They are what we stand behind as a board when we make decisions."

Nancy Journeay, board member,
 Little Miami Local (Warren)

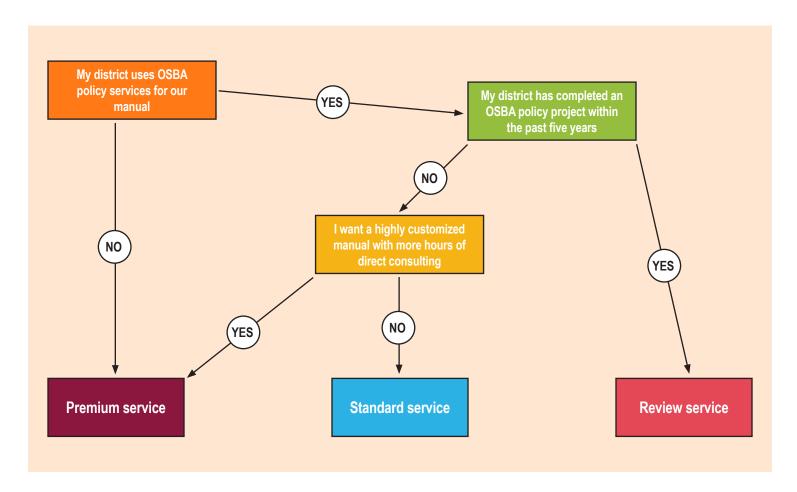
"Our district transitioned to OSBA's Policy Service. In partnership with the professional and knowledgeable OSBA consultants, the transition process was completed in an efficient and timely manner. I highly recommend OSBA's services."

 Dr. Traci McCaudy, former superintendent, Fremont City

## **Review of OSBA Policy Services**

#### Manual development

Various levels of service are available to suit your district's unique policy needs. OSBA consultants will work with you to determine what service will be most beneficial and assist your district in compiling a comprehensive and useable policy manual. Not sure which service is right for you? Follow the steps below and contact your OSBA policy consultant for more information on the service designed to meet your unique needs.



#### Staying up to date

Policy review and evaluation is a continual process. OSBA works to keep clients up to date on important policy changes and provides resources for communicating and maintaining your policy manual in an online format. All these services also provide districts with access to OSBA policy consultants for policy questions and needs.

### Policy Development Quarterly (PDQ)

This quarterly e-newsletter provides articles featuring new and revised laws, and rules and regulations that include policy implications. Updated sample policies and regulations are also available to subscribers. OSBA policy consultants host complimentary webinars to review the articles and sample policies with each PDQ issue. The webinar is designed to provide further consultation and answer subscribers' questions.

#### Online policy services

Hosting and updating of an online policy website allows your policy manual to be more easily accessible to administrators, staff and the community. The manual is searchable and contains links to other related policies, as well as legal references. OSBA assists in updating your website based on policies revised by the board.