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OSBA Southeast Region hosts spring conference in Piketon

PIKETON — More than 150 school board members, administrators, staff, students and guests from around southeastern Ohio gathered in Piketon March 19 for an Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) Southeast Region Spring Conference.

The event was held at the Pike County Career Technology Center. The region hosts two spring conferences; the other one this year is set for March 26 in Thornville.

The conference featured updates from OSBA officers and staff and a number of awards and recognitions. The region recognized exemplary student programs and schools, outstanding school board members, veteran board members and new board members, superintendents and treasurers.

One veteran school board member was recognized for 51 years of service, Carl W. Crabtree, a board member at Valley Local Schools in Scioto County. Crabtree has served on the Valley Local board since Jan. 1, 1968.

A highlight of the evening was a performance by Jackson City Schools' Jackson High School A Capella Choir, directed by Jessica Wiseman.

For more information on the awards, contact Southeast Regional Manager Paul D. Mock, whose phone number and email address are listed above.

Eighteen counties comprise the OSBA Southeast Region: Athens, Belmont, Coshocton, Gallia, Guernsey, Hocking, Jackson, Lawrence, Meigs, Morgan, Muskingum, Monroe, Noble, Perry, Pike, Scioto, Vinton and Washington. The other OSBA regions are Central, Northeast, Northwest and Southwest.

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