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Timely tips to improve student achievement

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Network of states looks to grow teacher apprenticeships

More than a dozen states participating in the National Registered Apprenticeship Teaching Network are seeking to use the apprenticeship model to overhaul traditional teacher preparation. Through the network, officials say they are learning from successful models and sharing resources. For more, go to <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/SU839>.

Help students avoid burnout during the spring

Middle and high school students can be susceptible to burnout in the spring, according to National Board Certified Teacher **Miriam Plotinsky**. Plotinsky shares four strategies to help keep students motivated in the spring, such as setting manageable daily objectives. For more, visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/SU840>.

More than 1 million students have left public schools, data shows

Enrollment in U.S. public schools fell from 50.8 million students in fall 2019 to 49.4 million in fall 2020, according to the National Center for Education Statistics. In some cases, the trend is causing cities in some states, including California and Colorado, to close underused schools. For more, visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/SU841>.

Ohio career center to expand aviation program with new hangar

Butler Tech, which began an aviation exploration course in 2019, wants to expand its program by building a 25,000-square-foot facility at Middletown Regional Airport in Middletown. The facility will feature a large hangar with classrooms, community space and labs. The school is seeking a \$2 million grant from the city to help defray the cost. For more, visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/SU842>.

How disability terminology can affect students' education

The terminology used to refer to students with disabilities can have wide-ranging effects, from the services they receive to how they are treated by staff and fellow students, says **Michael Baker** of the University of Manitoba. Baker encourages schools to look to the social model of disability, which views students with disabilities as different, not less than, and fosters a more equitable, inclusive education experience for students. For more, visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/SU843>.

Teacher's free app preps students for AP exams

An Advanced Placement (AP) California U.S. history teacher has created an educational app, High5Wizard, to help students prepare for AP exams. The free app has been downloaded approximately 7,000 times and uses quizzes and games to guide students through lessons on U.S. history, government and politics, world history, English, psychology and statistics. For more, visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/SU844>.

Student achievement in-depth

Each month, **Success** brings you a research brief or in-depth article to discuss with board members and administrators.

Why school-posted student photos are a privacy concern

Educators promote their activities on social media to promote student success, but including photos of students raises privacy issues, even with parental permission, experts say. Findings published in the academic journal, *Educational Researcher*, reveal that students were identifiable in nearly 5 million of 18 million photos analyzed, raising concerns about companies accessing personal information and images being collected for facial recognition purposes and other uses unintended.

The sharing of student photos, especially those with identifying information, has researchers questioning what the implications may be for student privacy and whether it's ethical for schools to post pictures at all.

One group of researchers analyzed 18 million photos posted by U.S. schools and districts to find out how often they contained personally identifying information (PII) from students, such as full names and approximate locations.

Researchers asserted that even photos without directly attached PII hold the potential to quickly become PII violations in the future due to expanding facial recognition technology.

Further, researchers found that access to Facebook data by third parties like government and police agencies, may violate laws meant to protect student privacy. And even if students who appear in school Facebook photos have a media release on file with the school, researchers assert that it doesn't exempt schools from the discussion over whether sharing those photos is ethical.

Even when legal, considering the potential ramifications of students' photos being swept up by facial recognition companies or government agencies surveilling social media, making a judgment about the ethicalness of this social promotion presents a lofty task.

For researchers' recommendations and a link to the research brief, please visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/SU845>.

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