

OHIO COUNCIL OF SCHOOL BOARD ATTORNEYS

an affiliate of the Ohio School Boards Association

2025 MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Who are we?

The Ohio Council of School Board Attorneys (OCSBA) was established in 1976 as an affiliate of the Ohio School Boards Association. The council provides a statewide forum on the practical legal problems faced by school attorneys, promotes a closer relationship between school attorneys and their client school board members, and works to improve legal services available to boards of education through the collection and dissemination of school law information.

Why join?

Membership provides school attorneys with an opportunity to stay current in school law through access to the following services:

- ***Seminars and workshops***

OCSBA members have the opportunity to attend the following:

- *OCSBA Spring Seminar* - Designed for the school law practitioner, the OCSBA Spring Seminar consists of presentations by experienced attorneys and other experts in the field. It is an extensive program conducted in an informal setting to encourage participation by all attendees.
- *School Law Workshop* - OSBA seeks CLE accreditation for several sessions held during the Ohio School Boards Association's Capital Conference in November.
- *OSBA Workshops and Webinars* - OSBA's legal division hosts several additional workshops and webinars throughout the year. Attorneys must be members of OCSBA to attend these workshops and webinars.

- ***Publications***

Members of the council receive the following publications:

- *School Law Summary* - A comprehensive summary of state and federal cases relevant to the practice of school law. The School Law Summary is delivered in an electronic format directly to your inbox.
- *Legal Alerts* - Bulletins that are published by OSBA as needed to address topics of immediate importance.
- *OSBA Update* - OSBA's semimonthly school news publication.
- *Ohio School Boards Association Journal* - OSBA's award-winning magazine.
- *Facts in a Flash* - OSBA's weekly legislative update that is distributed via email when the state legislature is in session.

- ***Listserv***

OCSBA members can take advantage of an exclusive listserv for discussions on legal matters affecting education in Ohio.

- ***Consultation***

Council membership offers an opportunity for consultation with OSBA's attorneys.

OCSBA members are listed on an online searchable OCSBA directory. Individuals may search for an OCSBA member by name, firm or city.

Who is eligible for membership?

Membership in OCSBA is limited to: (1) attorneys who represent one or more Ohio public board(s) of education, and (2) attorneys who are members or employees of a public board of education.

What is the cost?

The price for these services is a modest \$240 per year (\$120 for attorneys who are members or employees of a public board of education). If you are interested in participating in the council, simply complete the application form on the back of this sheet and send it to the Ohio School Boards Association.

Please feel free to contact us at (614) 540-4000 or (855) OSBA-LAW with questions.

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2025 APPLICATION FORM

Name _____ Attorney Registration Number _____

Law Firm _____

Mailing Address _____

City/State/Zip Code _____

Daytime Phone _____

Fax Number _____

Email Address _____

Law Office website: _____

Membership in OCSBA is limited to: (1) attorneys who represent a city, exempted village, local or joint vocational school district board of education, educational service center governing board, or the State Board of Education (“public boards of education”); and (2) attorneys who are members or employees of a public board of education.

These are the public boards of education I serve as an attorney, board member or employee:

I certify that I meet the membership criteria for OCSBA.

Signature _____

Date _____

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
OCSBA Membership	
Attorney who represents one or more Ohio public board(s) of education - \$240.00	
In-house district counsel or attorney who is a member or employee of a board of education - \$120.00	
TOTAL DUE:	

OCSBA membership runs from January 1-December 31 and is not prorated. Memberships are processed on an individual basis and transfer with attorneys who change positions, firms or employers, so long as they continue to meet the membership eligibility requirements for membership in their new positions, firms or employers. If a member ceases to meet eligibility requirements, the membership of such person may be terminated or suspended. Membership may also be terminated for cause, including, without limitation, the submission of false or inaccurate information on a membership application.

Please submit this form by mail to: Diversity and Legal Affairs Manager, Ohio School Boards Association, 8050 N. High Street, Columbus, OH 43235 along with your check made payable to *Ohio School Boards Association*.

Alternatively, you may submit this form via email to lwinfrey@ohioschoolboards.org and call (614) 540-4000 ext. 420 to make your payment with a credit card.

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