

SPONSORSHIP NEWSLETTER

June 2022 UPDATE

Transportation: Q and A

We've had schools pose questions around student transportation and reached out to Pupil Transportation at the Ohio Department of Education (ODE). Below are the questions and ODE's responses.

1. If community schools accept responsibility for providing transportation to students, could they ask the district to take the responsibility in subsequent years?

Response: Yes, if a community school accepts the transportation responsibility for the upcoming school year, the community school must continue that for the entire school year. If the community school wants to relinquish the transportation responsibility for the next school year, the community school must notify the public school in writing by January 31. If this deadline (January 31) is met, the public school must make arrangements to provide services the following school year.

2. Would community schools who have taken on the responsibility to transport receive the average state transportation reimbursement? Will that amount change for the FY 2023 year?

Response: For community schools that are approved to receive state funding for providing transportation services in accordance with ORC 3314.091, the community school would receive the average per rider amount (\$1,057.88) per average rider for the first full week in October. Unfortunately, we are not 100 percent certain on what the amount will be for the 2022-2023 school year at this time.

Important to Remember: Community schools who take on the responsibility to transport students must follow all transportation rules and should refer to the [Operation and Safety Rules](#) for requirements regarding reporting, compliance and funding for pupil transportation. The deadline to provide written notification accepting responsibility for transportation is August 1, per [ORC 3314.091](#).

Remote Board Meetings

allowance expiring June 30.

SPONSORED SCHOOLS

Citizens of the World – Cincinnati
Columbus Collegiate Academy
Columbus Collegiate Academy – West
Dayton Leadership Academies
Dayton Early College Academy (DECA)
DECA PREP
KIPP Columbus
Phoenix Community Learning Center
ReGeneration Schools Bond Hill
Sciotoville Community School
United Preparatory Academy
United Preparatory Academy–East

Dyslexia Screening

Effective 2022-2023, schools must administer dyslexia screening measures to kindergarten through third grade students and others as required, establish a team to administer screening, provide intervention and report to the state. There are also requirements for students who transfer from another district.

Dyslexia Law Requirements are [here](#).

Districts must establish a multisensory structured literacy certification process for teachers, beginning with the 2022-2023 school year.

Teachers must complete 18 instructional hours in approved professional development courses aligned with the dyslexia guidebook. Ohio's Dyslexia Guidebook is [here](#).

Important

Blended Learning:

Current law requires that schools opting or ceasing to use a blended learning model submit a [declaration](#) to ODE by **July 1 of each school year.**

Other Resources

- [Grant Opportunities](#)
- [Student Wellness Toolkit](#)
- [Providing proximity and quality data to parents influences school choices](#), Jeff Murray
- [Ohio is making strides in education-to-workforce pathways](#), Jessica Poiner
- [How to narrow the excellence gap in early elementary school](#), Michael J. Petrilli

Trainings and Events

- National Charter School Conference information [here](#), June 19-22

Third Grade Reading

THIRD GRADE READING GUARANTEE PROMOTION CRITERIA CHANGES FOR 2021-2022

PARENTAL NOTIFICATION OF REMEDIATION PLAN

Each school district, community school, STEM school and each chartered nonpublic school subject to ORC 3301.163 must notify the parent or guardian of each student who achieves a scaled score below 683 on **spring's** Ohio State Test for grade 3 English Language Arts and describe the district's or school's remediation plan to improve the student's academic performance in reading.

OTHER CRITERIA CHANGES DUE TO EMERGENCY LEGISLATION CHANGES INCLUDE RETENTION CRITERIA, AND PARENT CONSULTATION IN PROMOTION DECISIONS AND ARE DETAILED [HERE](#).

Reading Improvement and Monitoring Plan (RIMP) Intervention Video Series

- [RIMP Intervention Information Webinar \(September 2021\)](#)
- [Explicit Instruction in Comprehension](#) (9:33)
- [Explicit Intervention in Decoding](#) (6:30)
- [Explicit Intervention in Phonemic Awareness](#) (4:58)
- [Explicit Intervention in Sight Word Recognition](#) (8:07)
- [Multi Modal Approach to Structured Literacy](#) (1:57)
- [Small Group Scaffolding of Complex Texts](#) (5:44)
- [Explicit Intervention in Vocabulary](#) (6:49)
- [Explicit Intervention in Fluency](#) (7:04)
- [Explicit Intervention in Communication/Language](#) (4:49)

Compliance and Epicenter Requirements

- Semi-Annual Health and Safety Inspection 6/7/2022
- High School Compliance Requirements 6/12/2022
- Audit 6/14/2022
- Fire and Safety Drill Log 6/21/2022
- Monthly Enrollment Verification 6/24/2022
- Restraint and Seclusion 6/25/2022
- Board Minutes (Health and Safety Review) 6/27/2022
- Student success in meeting the benchmarks contained in the physical education standards adopted under division (A)(3) of section 3301.079 of the Revised Code. 6/27/2022
- Annual report of food and beverage sales to the board. ORC 3313.814 6/28/2022
- Paycheck Protection Program 6/28/2022
- The disclosure statement from each member of your Governing Authority setting forth the names of any immediate relatives or business associates employed by the sponsor or operator of your community school, a school district or educational service center that has contracted with your community school; and a vendor that has engaged in business with that of your community school. Individual form from each board member. 6/30/2022
- Annual Training in public records and open meeting laws per ORC 3314.03, for the members of the Governing Authority, designated fiscal officer, chief administrative officer and other administrative employees or individuals required. 6/30/2022
- Annual Certification of Emergency Management Plans. Prior to July 1 each year, the administrator must review the emergency management plan and certify to ODE that it is current and accurate.
- Plans for completion of make-up days via web access 6/30/2022
- Register with the Safer Ohio School Tip Line or enter into an agreement with another anonymous reporting program. Submit specified data concerning anonymous reports to the Departments of Education and Public Safety. 7/01/2022

Compliance Refresher

Legislative Service Commission's [Laws from which Community Schools Are Not Exempt.](#)

[ORC 2313.19](#) Employer may not penalize employee for being called to jury duty

Employers cannot discharge, threaten to discharge, or take any disciplinary action that could lead to the discharge of any permanent employee who is summoned to serve as a juror pursuant to Chapter 2313 of the Revised Code if the employee gives reasonable notice to the employer of the summons prior to the commencement of the employee's service as a juror and if the employee is absent from employment because of the actual jury service.

Employers also cannot require or request an employee to use annual, vacation, or sick leave for time spent responding to a summons for jury duty, time spent participating in the jury selection process, or for time spent actually serving on a jury

How we verify compliance:

1. Annual end of year questionnaire verifying employees were given time off to fulfill their responsibilities as a juror.
2. Staff handbook.