

## Honesty Lunch & Learn

## Education Matters in Ohio Reporter Roundtable



## Welcome!

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## We Are

### Coalition

Nonpartisan, Statewide, Diverse Stakeholders

### **Pillars**

Educate • Advocate • Build Community

**Priorities** Statehouse • State Board of Ed • Schools

### Resources

News, Info, Events, Programs, Organizing



## Agenda

**State of Education** 

**Reporter Roundtable** 

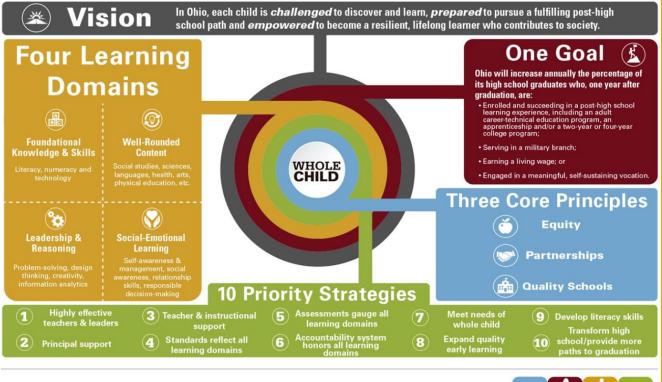
Coming Up...

Resources

## **State of Education**

### #EachChildOurFuture

In Ohio, each child is challenged, prepared and empowered.



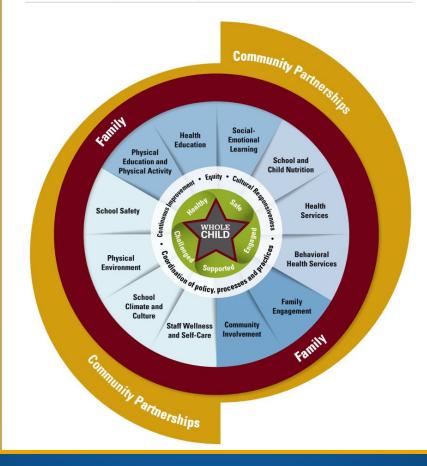
Ohio Strategic Plan For Education: 2019-2024

**bio** | Department of Education



**Ohio**'s Whole Child Framework

A collaborative approach to learning and wellness





## **STATEHOUSE**

National extremist agenda imported into Ohio GOAL:

- Disrupt, dismantle, defund public education
- Create flight to privatized education
- Distract from REAL education issues
- Perpetuate othering, discrimination, hate

### HOW:

- Weaponize race, identity, faith
- Villainize educators and staff
- Cast chilling effect on education
- Pass extremist legislation

More on Legislation Tracker

#### 2024-25 State Budget

**SB 1** - State Takeover of Public Education

**SB 11** - Universal Vouchers **SB 117** - Partisan Thought Centers at 5 universities

#### **Academic Standards & Curricula**

**HB 103** - State Overhaul of K12 Social Studies Standards **HB 171** - Multicultural K12 Social Studies Curricula **SB 83/HB 151** - Higher Ed Destruction Act

### Staff, Conduct, Governance

HB 214 - Alignment of district values and staff values HB 240 - Chaplains as unlicensed school counselors HB 206 - Indefinite expulsion policy HB 235 - Restructure State Board of Education SB 162 - Education reform and de-regulation

### Anti-LGBTQ+

**HB 8** - Forced outing of students **HB 68** - Gender-affirming care and sports ban **HB 183** - School restroom & facilities ban **HB 245** - Drag show and gender expression ban



## **State Board of Education**

### Lawsuit to STOP State Takeover of Public Education

- UPDATE: On Oct 20, county magistrate denied a preliminary injunction; DEW is moving forward, Jessica Voltolini appointed to serve as interim director
- Background
  - Lawsuit was filed on Sept 19 by 7 members of SBOE, Democracy Forward, and Ulmer and Berne; suit was later amended and reduced to 4 plaintiffs: Dr. Christina Collins, Michelle Newman, Stephanie Eichner, Toledo Public Schools
  - Judge granted and extended a 2-week temporary restraining order

### Next SBOE Meeting - November 14

- UPDATE: 2-day meeting is now 1-day meeting
- Will receive an update on the state superintendent search

Learn more at State Takeover



## **Local Schools**

## SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS 📥

Early Vote: Fri 7:30am-7:30pm, Sat 8am-4pm, Sun 1pm-5pm

Mail-In: Postmark ballots by Mon

Drop-Off: Now thru Tues 7:30pm

Polls: Open on Tues 7:30am-7:30pm

School Board Election Resources at honestyforohioeducation.org

- Candidate Research Guide
- Candidate List with Endorsements
- Voting and Election Info



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## **Panel Moderator**

### Sam Shim (he/his)

Programs Honesty for Ohio Education

Honesty for



## **Honesty Welcomes**





**Megan Henry** Ohio Capital Journal Ken Schneck The Buckeye Flame



Howard Wilkinson WVXU Cincinnati Public Radio

## Coming Up...

#### **State Board of Education - Monthly Meeting**

November 14 | 25. S Front St, Columbus, or watch on The Ohio Channel

#### **Ohio Statehouse - Scheduled Weekly**

House and Senate Education Committee Hearings | 1 Capitol Square, Columbus, or watch on The Ohio Channel

#### Find more at Honesty Events



## **Stay Connected**

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## Resources

### **Honesty for Ohio Education**

- Mailing List HERE
- Legislation Tracker HERE
- Website HERE
- Social Media: FB Instagram Twitter

### GOTV

- Election Info HERE
- School Board Election Resources HERE

### **State of Education**

- Track Actions Across US K-12 | CRT | HE | LGBTQ+
- Roots of Critical Race Theory Campaign HERE

#### **Statehouse**

- Honesty Legislation Tracker HERE
- Ohio Legislature Site HERE

### **State Board of Education**

- Each Child Our Future Strategic Plan HERE
- Whole Child Framework HERE
- Education Resources HERE
- Anti-LGBTQ+ Resolution HERE
- Anti-Racism and Equity Resolution HERE
- Gerrymandering SBOE Districts HERE

### Local Schools

- 2022 KIDS COUNT Data Book HERE
- 2022 KIDS COUNT Ohio Data Profile HERE
- Finding Unity and Common Ground HERE
- ACLU Ohio Student Rights Handbook HERE

# Thank You

