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## A Message from the Chair

Dear OSEA members,

Hello fellow members of the Ohio Student Education Association. I am your 2011-2012 Chairperson and it has been an honor serving on this board, representing all of you at the state level. This year was a great success. Everyone's hard work and dedication paid off with the astonishing defeat of Senate Bill 5 / Issue 2. I want to congratulate all of you on our victory in Ohio and thank those who volunteered for the campaign.

The Spring Conference is quickly approaching! It will be held in Columbus on April 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. We hope you can all attend. It is a wonderful experience and very insightful. The knowledge you gain from the professional development sessions will greatly assist you in the future. As future educators, the Spring Conference is not something you want to miss. Plus, you will meet fellow students from across the state. For information, contact Jane Gorka at [gorkaj@ohea.org](mailto:gorkaj@ohea.org).

If you have any comments or concerns please feel free to email me at [passarelli.4@osu.edu](mailto:passarelli.4@osu.edu). I am always here to assist in any way possible or answer any questions. Keep up the good work on your campuses. Hope to see you all at the Spring Conference.

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NEA Student Connections Conference  
November 4-6, 2011  
Houston, Texas



The OSEA board members had the opportunity to attend the NEA Connections Conference in November. The theme of the conference was based around “The Arts”. Student members had the opportunity to learn how to enhance their classrooms using art, physical education, music and drama. Teachers were brought in from all over the country to speak to the student members on how they have conducted their classes. This was a very informative conference and helped OSEA members gain important knowledge that will be useful for their future classrooms.

*“The teacher who is indeed wise does not bid you to enter the house of his wisdom but rather leads you to the threshold of your mind.”*

Khalil Gibran

The conference was also a great opportunity for networking and meeting students from all over the country.

By: Molly Rogers, OSEA Chair-Elect



Remembering Issue 2

On November 8, 2011 the voter’s of Ohio spoke and defeated Issue 2. The bill supported by Governor John Kasich, Senate Bill 5 / Issue 2 would have drastically changed Ohio’s collective bargaining law.

A collaboration of OEA and major labor unions established We Are Ohio. The organization mobilized to fight against SB5 and Issue 2. The coalition worked to raise awareness of the importance of defeating Issue 2 and it worked!

Teachers and public employees, their friends and families alike worked together to make their voice heard and said, *No to Issue 2!*

by: Brad Dalzell, OSEA Northeast Representative

## Youngstown Student Education Association- YSEA

As YSEA winds down our school year we want to take a minute to share with you a recap of our events this past semester.

In January YSEA held a welcome back meeting get together to welcome our students back to school and discuss plans for the remainder of the semester. In February we worked hard to prepare for our annual Read Across America event, which was a great success. Our Read Across America event was held Saturday March 3, 2012 at the Warren YMCA. We had over 60 children and their families in attendance. We played games, built crafts, and of course had plenty of *Dr. Seuss* themed food. We hope to make the event even bigger next year!

To wind down the year YSEA held elections for the 2012-2013 officers and we are currently planning our penguin pal social to celebrate the end of the year with our penguin pals whom we've been writing to since September.

We are looking forward to the OSEA Spring Conference and our YSEA end of the year party!

Finish your semester strong and we will see you all at the conference.



Article Written By:  
Molly Rogers-  
YSEA President,  
OSEA Chair-Elect

*“Genius without  
education is like  
silver in the mine.”  
Benjamin Franklin*

## Miami Student Education Association MSEA

It has been a fun and exciting semester thus far for MSEA! We've had various speakers over the past few months, including principals who gave job search and interview tips and a panel-based discussion featuring teachers and student teachers. We also recently brought the “I Can Do It!” classroom management workshop to campus and elected a new executive board for the

next school year. Everyone in MSEA is looking forward to the conference in Columbus at the end of April, and we are all excited to see what next year will hold for both our local and state-level organizations!

By: Jeremy Zelis,  
Miami Student Education  
Association Co-President

## Kent Student Education Association-KSEA

KSEA has had an exciting year and is winding down as the semester is coming to an end. Over the last semester KSEA has had the annual Back to School Blastoff event, participated in the Homecoming Parade, Bill Lavezzi from NEOEA spoke to our members about school contracts, KSEA also had the honor of meeting and dining with the National Teacher of the Year, Michelle Shearer. We are currently working on our community outreach

project. This year we will be donating over \$300 worth of new children's books to our local Head Start Program. Head Start hosts a program where children and their parents can come to get a free book and help with beginning literacy. There is also a literacy program for the adults. KSEA is very excited to be able to donate to such a good cause. We will also be meeting our pen pals in April! KSEA has had an exciting year!



By: Kaleigh Bartula,  
KSEA President,  
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Secretary/Newsletter  
Editor

***“A Teacher takes a  
hand, opens a  
mind, touches a  
heart”  
-Unknown Author***

## The Ohio State University Student Education Association-OSEA

OSU OSEA has grown a great deal in the 2011-2012 school year. During fall and winter quarters, several students volunteered at the Boys and Girls Club on a bi-weekly basis. Others who could not make that time, volunteered through campus tutoring or mentoring program. We have had speakers talk to us about Senate Bill 5, Project ASPIRE, Woodrow Wilson Fellowship opportunities, Administration and evaluation, as well as general education concerns. With the help of OEA-Retired chair Lee Schreiner, we have piloted the NEA Intergenerational Mentoring Program. Thirteen students met with thirteen mentors for the first time in January. In January, officers attended the NEA Mid-Atlantic Leadership Conference in Arlington, funded by OEA Central scholarships. In February, OSEA hosted a Professor Panel with three OSU education professors, which was facilitated by adviser Dr. Patti Brosnan. Mentoring participants as well as regular OSEA members attended. We recently recruited more people into the organization at OSU's spring involvement fair. In the next few months we will have an OSU Doctoral Candidate and a representative from the First Educational Experience Program (FEEP) come speak to students. OSEA will reward members at the end of the year with a free dinner at Bucca Di Beppo in the Area District.

by: Mary Giardina, President OSEA

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