

Getting Ready for Your Legislative Office Visit/The Importance of a Follow Up

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Getting Ready for Your Legislative Office Visit

- Key Issues
- Policy Priorities
- OACTE Policy Positions
- Legislative Context
- Political Context

2012 Priorities for:

- Kasich Administration
- Speaker Batchelder
- Senate President Niehaus

OACTE Policy Recommendations

- Maintain weighted funding for career and technical programs
- Create a funding formula for adult workforce development programs
- CTE must play a role in STEM and post-secondary education

State Budget

- State faced \$8 billion budget shortfall with declining revenues
- FY12-13 funding based on each district's FY11 funding level
- Maintained support for career technical education students

CTE State Budget Accomplishments

- Streamlined procedures for hiring career-technical instructors straight from industry for adult programs
- Created flexibility in how districts can pay for tools of the trade students need in the workforce
- Protection from reduced tax revenue when a locality utilizes Tax Increment Financing

MBR

Midterm Biennium Budget Review

- Puts more tools into the state and local government tool boxes to encourage shared services and flexibility

Bills of Impact

- HB 157- authorizes ESCs to provide teacher professional development on dyslexia
- SB 165- requires Ohio school districts to teach the founding documents of the United States, including the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. Constitution and the Ohio Constitution

Additional Bills of Impact

HB136-creates the Parental Choice and Taxpayer Savings Scholarship Program voucher

HB116-enacts the School Day Security and Anti-Bullying Act to require instruction and parental notification of policies on harassment, intimidation, or bullying.

Additional Bills of Impact

HB296- allows CTPD to issue degrees in limited circumstances, with the approval of the Board of Regents.

Workforce development??

School funding??

2012 Political Environment

- Election Year!
- March 6th Primary: Ohio will be a player in determining who gets the Republican nomination for President
- State House and State Senate Primaries

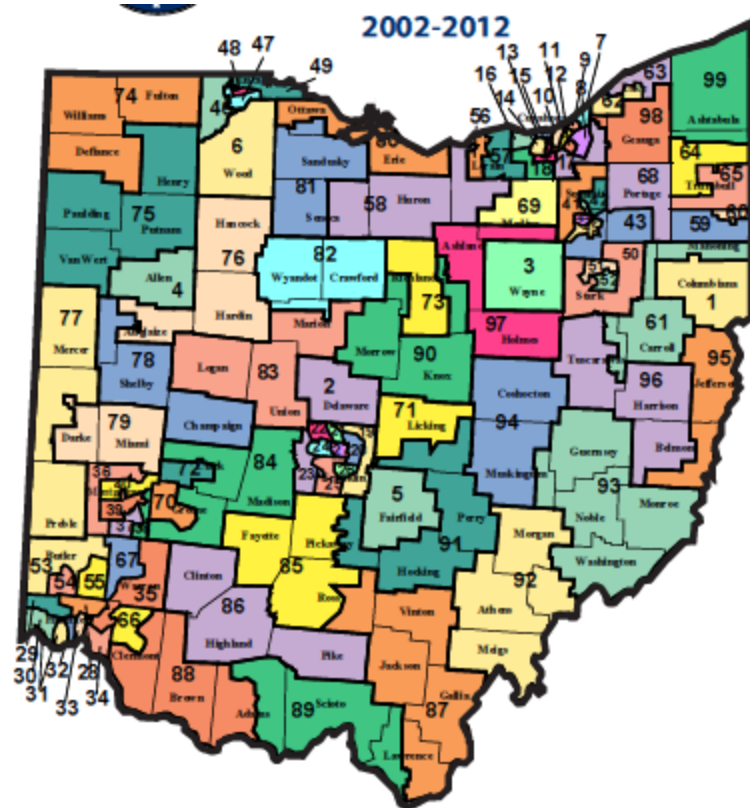
Elections and Redistricting

2012 primary change

- Merge the March and June primaries into a single primary on March 6, 2012.
 - Restores the August 2012 special election.
 - Creates new congressional district boundaries based on the 2010 U.S. Census.

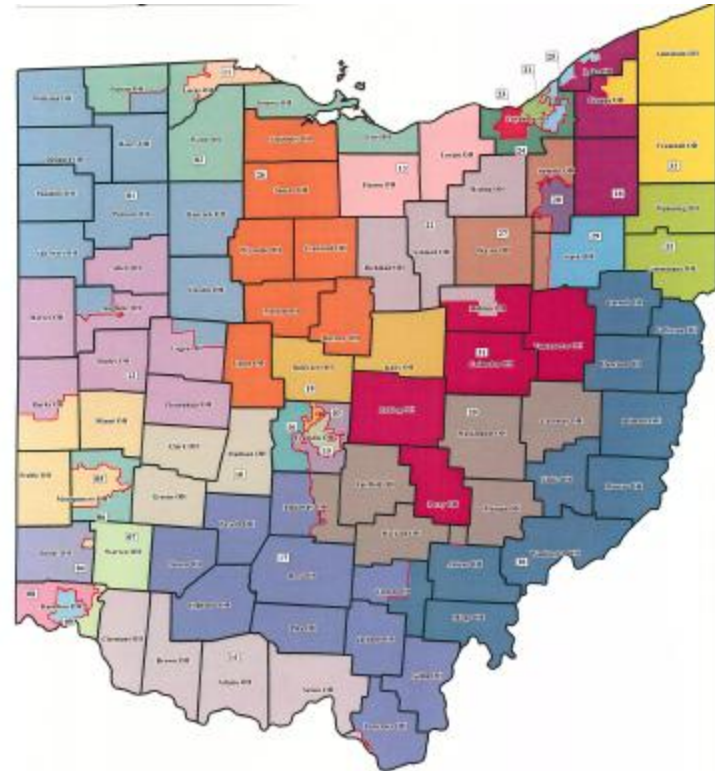
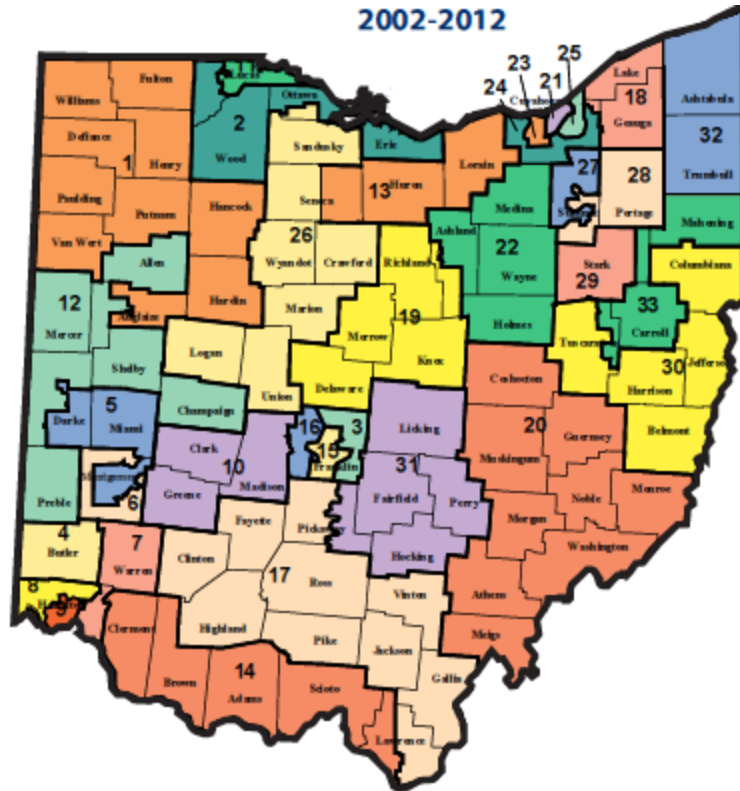
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House Maps



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Senate Maps



Elections and Redistricting

What this means for you

- New legislators?
- New neighboring CTPDs?
- New education necessary to legislators and staff
 - But also to your districts

Opportunities

- Brand your district
- Change the paradigm on CTE
- Forge new relationships

Takeaway – The Importance of a Follow Up

- Build the bridge
- Be the expert
- Write a thank you note
- Schedule a visit

Takeaway – The Importance of a Follow Up

- Familiarity is key
 - You
 - Your issues
 - Your industry
 - Your connections

Takeaway – The Importance of a Follow Up

- Think creatively about follow up
 - Utilize networks
 - Collaborate with business
 - Integrate student success
 - Other ideas?

Questions?

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