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**ALLIANCE for High Quality Education** 

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### **Reservations are Due**

# Senate Education Chair Featured at Annual Meeting

Senator Peggy Lehner, Chair of the Ohio Senate Education Committee, committed supporter of public education and champion of preschool education in the legislature, will be the featured member of the traditional panel discussion at this year's Alliance Annual Meeting. Senator Lehner will share the podium with Gail Kist-Kline, Superintendent of Mason City Schools and Brian Poe, Superintendent of Copley-Fairlawn City Schools.

Senator Lehner has been an outspoken opponent of H. B. 597 and has spoken expansively of the disruption to Ohio's public education system if the bill's provisions – repeal the Common Core, switch to outdated Massachusetts state standards for three years then change over to new Ohio standards yet to be developed – were enacted. Sen. Lehner's open-minded, constructive, common sense approach to education related legislation has provided Ohio educators with a reliable, honest evaluation of proposed legislation and powerful, effective advocacy of those ideas which she finds meritorious. She is a true friend of education.

Please join us to hear her thoroughly considered views on pending legislation and possible future initiatives.

Also, more than sixty school districts, 43 of them Alliance member districts, have already released, or soon will release, their "Quality Profiles," reports on the district's programs and progress for the school year that ended in June. The quality profile is a commentary on the performance of the district on the education priorities of its residents, as determined by a survey of the community previously conducted by the district.

The concept was developed two years ago by about a dozen school districts in the Greater Cincinnati area, has been well-received statewide, and, based upon this year's numbers, is expanding rapidly. We will provide an update.

All who attended last year's meeting enjoyed the Hilton and we look forward to this year's event, albeit a different day and time: Tuesday morning, as opposed to the traditional Monday at noon. We are already in discussion with the hotel in the hope we will be able to offer next year's meeting at the time you prefer: Monday at noon or Tuesday for breakfast.

Make your reservation now so we will be sure to see you on Veteran's Day, November 11, at the 23rd Alliance Annual Meeting. The registration form is attached.

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## ALLIANCE ANNUAL MEETING and BREAKFAST

If you haven't already done so, be sure to make your reservations for the Alliance Annual Meeting and Breakfast scheduled for

#### **Tuesday, November 11th**

#### **Hilton Columbus Downtown**

#### 8:00 a.m.

located directly across from the OSBA Capital Conference

The Response Form is attached.

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**RESERVATION FORM** 

ALLIANCE ANNUAL MEETING and BREAKFAST Tuesday, November 11, 2014

TO:	Tony Podojil, Executive Director
FROM	(SUPT):
DISTRI	ICT:
	Yes! I shall be in attendance at the <b>Tuesday, November 11th Alliance General Membership</b> <b>Breakfast &amp; Annual Meeting</b> in the Hilton Columbus Downtown, Bellows A, B and C rooms at the OSBA Capital Conference at the Columbus Convention Center.
	The following board members, treasurer, school officials or other interested parties will be in attendance for the <b>BUFFET BREAKFAST</b> at 7:45 a.m. (\$30 per person – <i>includes tax, gratuity</i> ):
	The following board members, treasurer, school officials or other interested parties will be in attendance for the <b>MEETING ONLY</b> beginning at 8:30 a.m.:
	I cannot attend the November 11th Alliance Annual Meeting / Buffet Breakfast.
	Please email this form to Barb Adams at <u>barb@ahqe.org;</u> call the Alliance (614) 842-2273 with any questions.