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- Suspension and expulsion—Authority to expel student for more than 80 days (Chapter 25)
- Notice of expulsion form (Chapter 25)
- Special instruction, adult education—Competency-based educational programs (Chapter 26)
- Change to required reporting of fiscal year projections to the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce - “Five-Year Forecast” changed to “Three-Year Forecast” (2025 OH H.B. 96, Chapter 40)
- Public records—Exclusions from public records particularly relevant to work by school attorneys (Chapter 44)
- Updated form resolutions for tax levy proceedings (Chapters 34, 40)
- Updated Calendar for School District Officials (Appendix)

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Preface

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Foreword

Baldwin's Ohio School Law (The Red Book) is a comprehensive and reliable guide to school law, policy, and management in Ohio. Members of boards of education, school administrators, legal counsel, teachers, parents, students of school law and administration, and others concerned with education and the law will find it indispensable for understanding the organization and legal workings of Ohio's educational system.

The authors and publisher have designed The Red Book to be especially valuable to school officials as a source of information and assistance for sound policy and management decisions, both in long-range planning and day-to-day school operation. In addition, county prosecutors, city law directors, and private legal counsel will find The Red Book to be an authoritative, up-to-date resource for researching the questions and issues they are frequently called upon to answer and resolve. With its annual updates and revisions, The Red Book offers the most current and thorough analysis available anywhere.

Organized and written for ease of use and readability, The Red Book highlights recent changes in state and federal legislation and regulations, new federal and Ohio case law, and important court decisions from other states that have a legal impact in Ohio. A number of checklists summarize important aspects of school management and present complex information in an easy-to-understand format. A Calendar for School District Officials highlights important dates.

As always, we encourage our subscribers' comments and suggestions for further improvements to *Baldwin's Ohio School Law*.

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