

Eye on the World through Distance Learning

We have a free participant option to allow individuals to become aware of distance learning opportunities, to attend meetings and serve on committees, and to receive our newsletter, which details special events and programs.

Dear Potential Ohio Distance Learning Association Member:

The Ohio Distance Learning Association exists as an active United States Distance Learning Association (USDLA) state chapter. Some of our recent accomplishments include managing the distance learning section of the Ohio Educational Technology Conference, spearheading and promoting the Management Council of the Ohio Education Computer Network (MCOECN) Zoom and coursework/content exchange projects, and serving as an example to other USDLA state chapters. Leaders within the Ohio Department of Education and Ohio Department of Higher Education are increasingly aware of the quality impact our members are making in education.

In 2020, OhioDLA is a coordinating council member of *RemoteEDx*, an ODE initiative designed to enhance and expand remote education in Ohio, using federal CARES Act funds.

The goals of the OhioDLA include:

- Promoting the growth of video distance learning, web-based learning and hybrid learning among Ohio P-20 entities;
- Supporting distance learning initiatives impacting Ohio P-20 entities both directly and indirectly;
- Supporting the Distance Learning section of the Ohio Educational Technology Conference;
- Educating legislative decision-makers on the impact of distance learning; and
- Seeking funding to support Ohio educational entities using distance learning, not for OhioDLA

We have listed three forms of membership and the unique privileges associated with each. We ask that you choose the membership type that best represents your professional status and complete the form below. Payment for Membership must be included with membership application.

Member Name:
Organization:
Title:
Address:
Phone Number:
Email:
Member Level (selected):

Payment may be made either by credit card or by check. For credit card payments, the MCOECN has a PayPal account: <u>https://www.paypal.me/MCOECN</u>. Please scan and e-mail your completed application to <u>dstein@laca.org</u>.

To pay by check, make payable to: **MCOECN**. Mail check along with membership application to:

Leanne Phillips Administrative Assistant, LACA 150 S. Quentin Road Newark, OH 43055

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Member levels

Consortium Membership (CM) - \$250 annually. A consortium membership provides organizations supporting multiple school districts and educational centers access to professional development and curricular resources provided over interactive video conferencing through H.323 and Zoom. Consortium members receive ALL the benefits of an Educational Entity for each of their member schools/organizations. Additional membership benefits include:

- CM representatives may attend general membership meetings, are welcome to participate in OhioDLA committees, and hold OhioDLA offices
- CM participants will receive the OhioDLA Bi-Monthly Newsletter, which provides details on:
 - o General meeting notes & link to recording
 - o Content Provider updates and opportunities
 - o Course offerings
 - o Special program opportunities
 - o Professional development events
- Ability to post special events and professional development opportunities to the OhioDLA Bi Monthly Newsletter
- USDLA membership for a representative of each of their member school districts, and a membership for the Consortium, itself.
- Participation in the OhioDLA Career Connections and Content Provider Showcases
- Access to Zoom Rooms professional development sessions delivered throughout the school year.
- Discounted programming from several OhioDLA member museums, hospitals, and educational content providers

Educational Entity (EE) - \$100 annually. An educational entity is a single representative for a larger group of OhioDLA participants. An EE can consist of a school district, university or content provider. All participants associated with the EE may receive the membership benefits through the entity's designated member. They are welcome to attend OhioDLA meetings and register their schools or staff members for professional development and curricular resources over interactive video conferencing through H.323 and Zoom. Membership Benefits include:

- EE is invited to attend general membership meetings on behalf of your organization and welcome to participate in OhioDLA committees, and hold OhioDLA offices
- EE shall receive the OhioDLA Bi-Monthly Newsletter, which provides details on:
 - o General meeting notes & link to recording
 - o Content Provider updates and opportunities
 - o Course offerings
 - o Special program opportunities
 - o Professional development events
- EE may post special events and professional development opportunities to the OhioDLA Bi-Monthly Newsletter on behalf of their organization
- USDLA membership for the representative of the EE.
- Participation in the OhioDLA Career Connections and Content Provider Showcases
- Discounted programming from several OhioDLA member museums, hospitals and educational content providers

Associate Participant (AP) – FREE. An Associate Participant of the OhioDLA is an individual interested in receiving distance learning opportunities to enhance their curriculum. They are welcome to attend OhioDLA meetings, join committees, and receive a bi-monthly e-newsletter. Additional benefits include:

- AP is invited to attend general membership meetings and is welcome to participate in OhioDLA committees
- AP may receive discounted programming from several OhioDLA member museums, hospitals, and educational content providers
- AP shall receive the OhioDLA Bi-Monthly Newsletter, which provides details on:
 - o General meeting notes & link to recording
 - o Content Provider updates and opportunities
 - o Course offerings
 - o Special program opportunities
 - o Professional development events
- No paper form required: <u>http://www.bit.ly/OhioDLA-Membership</u>

Our membership year runs from July 1 through June 30.

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