Expirations, New School Districts, Renewals and Rate Changes Effective 1/1/2017

Dear Employer:

Ohio law requires you to canvass your employees and ask each employee for the school district in which they reside. If you have an employee who resides in a school district with a school district income tax in effect, then you must withhold this tax from the employee's compensation – even if you conduct no business or operations in that school district. Employers not fulfilling these requirements are subject to penalties and interest for any unpaid school district income taxes **even if the taxes were not withheld.** A list of school districts with a tax in effect for 2017 is found on pages 3-4.

Important

- If your employees do not know the school district in which they reside, they may determine their school district by contacting their county auditor or by using The Finder at tax.ohio.gov.
- Several Ohio school districts have the same or similar names.
 Be sure to verify the correct school district on the attached list.
- Effective Jan. 1, 2015, in accordance with Ohio Administrative Code rule 5703-7-19, employers are required to file school district income tax withholding returns and make payment of the withheld taxes through the Ohio Business Gateway (OBG) at business.ohio.gov.
- Employers who have been approved under the opt out provision
 to file paper and pay by check, complete your SD 101 and include
 the form with your payment. Be sure to show the amount due for
 each school district. By doing so, you will help us forward each
 tax payment to the correct school district.

School District Withholding Requirements

Who Must Register? All employers maintaining an office or transacting business in Ohio and required to withhold federal and state income tax must register if they employ at least one resident of a school district that has enacted a school district income tax. Employers who do not have an Ohio withholding account may register by completing the Ohio withholding registration through the OBG (on OBG under Start a Service or Transaction, click on the dropdown selection Ohio Taxation – New Account Registration and select Ohio Withholding Registration). Note that employers use the same account number for both Ohio state income tax and school district income tax withholding. All forms and correspondence should reflect this account number.

Who Must Withhold? Every employer maintaining an office or transacting business within the state of Ohio and making payments of any compensation to an employee who resides in an affected school district must withhold the school district income tax. The employer's office or employee's work location is irrelevant. The employee's residence is the determining factor for employers to withhold school district income tax.

How Much Tax Do I Withhold? Employers should use the same wage base and number of exemptions they use for withholding Ohio income tax and use the school district withholding tables, unless the school district income tax is based on earned income. Several school districts have enacted an alternative, earned income only tax base. For those school districts with an income tax based on

earned income, the employer should withhold at a flat rate equal to the tax rate for the district with no reduction or adjustment for personal exemptions. These earned income only tax base school districts are found on page 3.

What Forms Must be Completed?

Employee's Withholding Exemption Certificate, Ohio IT 4 — Every employer liable for Ohio withholding tax must keep on file Ohio IT 4, Employees Withholding Exemption Certificate. By doing so, employers have built-in fields for the name and number of the school district in which the employee resides. Employees must update Ohio IT 4 whenever previous information becomes insufficient or incorrect.

Registration for Ohio School District Withholding Agent, Ohio IT 1R – All affected employers who are not active in the school district withholding system should complete and return the registration form as soon as the employer determines that it has one or more employees subject to the tax.

New for 2017							
<u>SD#</u>	School District	<u>Rate</u>	County				
Expired:							
2301*	Amanda-Clearcreek LSD	1.50	Fairfield				
Rate Ch	nange:						
7501	Anna LSD	1.50	Shelby				
6804	Preble Shawnee LSD	1.00	Butler, Montgomery, Preble				
Renewe	ed:						
3901	Bellevue CSD	0.50	Erie, Huron, Sandusky, Seneca				
0203	Bluffton EVSD	0.50	Allen, Hancock				
8702*	Eastwood LSD	1.00	Wood				
8001	Fairbanks LSD	1.00	Madison, Union				
2904	Greeneview LSD	1.00	Clinton, Fayette, Greene				
4902*	Jonathan Alder LSD	1.25	Franklin, Madison, Union				
2305*	Lancaster CSD	1.50	Fairfield				
1102	Mechanicsburg EVSD	1.50	Champaign, Madison				
0601	Minster LSD	1.00	Auglaize, Darke, Mercer, Shelby				
1905	Mississinawa Valley LSD	1.75	Darke				
5708	New Lebanon LSD	1.25	Montgomery				
7404	New Riegel LSD	1.50	Seneca				
5506	Newton LSD	1.75	Darke, Miami				
6909	Pandora Gilboa LSD	1.75	Allen, Putnam				
5008*	Sebring LSD	1.00	Mahoning				
8509*	Triway LSD	0.75	Holmes, Wayne				
1907	Versailles EVSD	1.00	Darke, Shelby				
6303	Wayne Trace LSD	1.25	Paulding, Putnam, Van Wert				
0606	Waynesfield-Goshen LSD	1.00	Allen, Auglaize, Logan				
1105	West Liberty-Salem LSD	1.75	Champaign, Logan				
2906	Xenia Community CSD	0.50	Greene, Warren				

^{*}Districts with an alternative earned income only tax.

Note: When you create W-2s for your employees, you should identify the school district by its **four-digit code**. By doing so, you will help your employees avoid any delay in the processing of their income tax returns.

Filing Frequency – File returns and pay taxes according to the following:

- Quarterly payments are due if the <u>combined</u> Ohio and school district liability does not exceed \$2,000 during the 12-month period ending on June 30th of the preceding calendar year.
- Monthly payments are due if the <u>combined</u> Ohio and school district liability exceeds \$2,000 during the 12-month period ending on June 30th of the preceding calendar year.
- Partial weekly and electronic funds transfer (EFT) payments are not required for school district withholding tax.

Note: Overpayments made for a district can be applied to reduce the tax due for the same district in a subsequent period, but employers cannot use an overpayment to one school district to reduce the tax due for any other school district.

School District Employer's Annual Reconciliation of Tax Withheld, SD 141 – All employers required to withhold must file no later than Jan. 31 of the succeeding calendar year an annual report, SD 141, reconciling school district tax withheld and paid for the past calendar year. Employers selling or quitting their business during the year must file their final return within 15 days after the date of selling or quitting the business. Employers should show all withholding amounts for each district on the SD 141. Employers discovering an error after filing SD 141 should file SD 141X, Amended Annual Reconciliation, to adjust for the error and attach corrected W-2(s), if any.

Wage and Tax Statement (Combined W-2) – On or before Jan. 31 of the succeeding calendar year, employers required to withhold school district tax must furnish to all employees subject to the tax two copies of the report of compensation paid during the calendar year and the amount deducted and withheld as school district tax. Employers use the federal combined W-2. Employers should clearly identify the school district on the W-2 by its four-digit number.

Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, Ohio IT 3 – All employers required to withhold must file with the Ohio Department of Taxation by the last day of January of the succeeding calendar year a copy of Ohio IT 3. Employers are no longer required to send us paper copies of federal form W-2. Send your state W-2 information to us on magnetic media using an approved electronic format. The electronic format is available on the department's Web site at tax.ohio.gov.

If an employer discovers an error on a combined W-2, the employer must furnish two copies of a corrected combined W-2 marked "CORRECTED BY EMPLOYER" to the employee and one copy to the Department of Taxation marked "REISSUED BY EMPLOYER."

Employer's Liability for School District Tax – Each employer is liable for the school district tax required to be withheld. For purposes of assessment and collection, amounts required to be withheld and paid to the Ohio Department of Taxation are considered to be a tax on the employer. The officer or the employee having control or supervision of or charged with the responsibility of filing the report and making payment shall be held personally liable for any failure to file the report or pay the tax as required by law.

Interest and Penalties – If an employer fails to pay the school district tax deducted and withheld from employees by the due date, interest shall accrue on the unpaid tax at the rate provided for under Ohio Revised Code section 5703.47. Interest (4% for 2017) on the unpaid tax is due in addition to any penalty for late filling or late payment of the tax due. If an employer fails to pay the school district tax deducted and withheld from employees by the due date, the employer may incur a penalty of up to 50% of the tax due, unless failure was for reasonable cause and not willful neglect. If an employer does not file the SD 101 or SD 141 or files after the due date, a late filling penalty may be assessed, which is the greater of \$50 per month or fraction of a month (up to a maximum of \$500) or 5% per month or fraction of a month (up to a maximum of 50% of the tax due).

School Districts With an Income Tax for 2017

Boldface indicates a newly enacted rate, a rate change for 2017 or a change in the tax type.

SD#	School District Name (and Counties)	Decimal Rate	Percent	SD#	School District Name (and Counties)	Decimal Rate	Percent
Earned Income Only Tax Base School Districts					Traditional Tax Base School Districts		
0502	Athens CSD (Athens)	0100	1%	3301	Ada EVSD (Hancock, Hardin)	.0150	11/2%
2801	Berkshire LSD (Geauga)		1%	7501	Anna LSD (Shelby)	.0150	11/2%
2302	Berne-Union LSD (Fairfield, Hocking)		2%	1901	Ansonia LSD (Darke)	.0175	13/4%
5501	Bethel LSD (Miami)		3/4%	6301	Antwerp LSD (Paulding)	.0150	11/2%
7502	Botkins LSD (Auglaize, Shelby)		11/4%	3201	Arcadia LSD (Hancock, Seneca)		1%
5901	Cardington-Lincoln LSD (Marion,	.0120	17470	1902	Arcanum-Butler LSD (Darke)	.0150	11/2%
3301	Morrow)	0075	3/4%	3202	Arlington LSD (Hancock)		11/4%
5401	Celina CSD (Mercer)		³ / ₄ %	2001	Ayersville LSD (Defiance)		1%
			1%	3901	Bellevue CSD (Erie, Huron, Sandusky,	.0100	170
8501	Chippewa LSD (Wayne)			0001	Seneca)	0050	1/2%
6501	Circleville CSD (Pickaway)	.0075	3/4%	2501	Bexley CSD (Franklin)		3/4%
7001	Clear Fork Valley LSD (Knox,	0400	40/	2101	Big Walnut LSD (Delaware)		3/4%
5004	Richland)		1%	2303	Bloom-Carroll LSD (Fairfield)		11/4%
5204	Cloverleaf LSD (Medina)	.0125	11/4%		,		
7201	Clyde-Green Springs EVSD	0.4.00	407	0203	Bluffton EVSD (Allen, Hancock)		½% 1/0/
	(Sandusky, Seneca)		1%	8701	Bowling Green CSD (Henry, Wood)		½%
1704	, ,		1/4%	5502	Bradford EVSD (Darke, Miami, Shelby).		13/4%
8702	,		1%	8601	Bryan CSD (Williams)		1%
8603	Edon-Northwest LSD (Williams)	.0100	1%	1701	Buckeye Central LSD (Crawford, Huron,		
5101	Elgin LSD (Delaware, Hardin, Marion)	.0075	3/4%		Richland, Seneca)	.0150	1½%
7203	Gibsonburg EVSD (Sandusky, Wood)	.0075	3/4%	2102	Buckeye Valley LSD (Delaware, Marion,		
3603	Greenfield EVSD (Fayette, Highland,				Morrow, Union)	.0100	1%
	Ross)	.0125	11/4%	2502	Canal Winchester LSD (Fairfield,		
0302	Hillsdale LSD (Ashland, Wayne)	.0125	11/4%		Franklin)		3/4%
7403	Hopewell-Loudon LSD (Seneca)		1/2%	8801	Carey EVSD (Seneca, Wyandot)	.0100	1%
7506	Jackson Center LSD (Auglaize, Logan,			8301	Carlisle LSD (Montgomery, Warren)	.0100	1%
	Shelby)	.0150	11/2%	2902	Cedar Cliff LSD (Clark, Greene)	.0125	11/4%
4901	Jefferson LSD (Madison)		1%	4201	Centerburg LSD (Delaware, Knox,		
4902	,				Licking)	.0075	3/4%
	Madison, Union)	.0125	11/4%	2002	Central LSD (Defiance, Williams)	.0075	3/4%
2305	Lancaster CSD (Fairfield)		11/2%	1303	Clermont-Northeastern LSD (Brown,		
6502	Logan Elm LSD (Hocking, Pickaway)		1%		Clermont)	.0100	1%
5504	Miami East LSD (Champaign, Miami)		13/4%	5402	Coldwater EVSD (Mercer)	.0050	1/2%
5505	Milton-Union EVSD (Miami)		11/4%	1703	Colonel Crawford LSD (Crawford)		11/4%
3902	Monroeville LSD (Erie, Huron)		11/2%	1502	Columbiana EVSD (Columbiana,		
8605	Montpelier EVSD (Williams)		11/4%		Mahoning)	.0100	1%
8705	North Baltimore LSD (Hancock,	.0123	17470	6901			1%
0703	Wood)	0125	11/4%		Continental LSD (Putnam)		1%
4500	•				Cory-Rawson LSD (Hancock)		13/4%
4508	North Fork LSD (Knox, Licking)		1%	5503	Covington EVSD (Miami)		2%
1203	Northeastern LSD (Clark, Champaign)	.0100	1%	1503	Crestview LSD (Columbiana)		1%
7612	,	0400	40/	8101	Crestview LSD (Van Wert)		1%
4004	Wayne)		1%	8502	Dalton LSD (Wayne)		3/4%
1204	Northwestern LSD (Clark, Champaign)		1%		Danville LSD (Holmes, Knox)		1½%
8706	Northwood LSD (Wood)		1/4%	4202			
8504	Norwayne LSD (Medina, Wayne)		3/4%	2003	Defiance CSD (Defiance, Paulding)		½% 41/0/
0908	Ross LSD (Butler)		3/4%	6803	Eaton CSD (Preble)		1½%
5008	Sebring LSD (Mahoning)	.0100	1%	8602	Edgerton LSD (Defiance, Williams)		1%
3118	Southwest LSD (Hamilton, Butler)	.0075	3/4%	8703	Elmwood LSD (Hancock, Wood)		11/4%
6503	Teays Valley LSD (Fairfield, Franklin,			2602	Evergreen LSD (Fulton, Lucas)		2%
	Pickaway)	.0150	1½%	8001	Fairbanks LSD (Madison, Union)	.0100	1%
6806	Tri-County North LSD (Darke,			2903	Fairborn CSD (Clark, Greene,		
	Montgomery, Preble)	.0100	1%		Montgomery)	.0050	1/2%
8509	Triway LSD (Holmes, Wayne)	.0075	3/4%	2304	Fairfield Union LSD (Fairfield, Hocking,		
5509	Troy CSD (Miami)		11/2%		Perry)		2%
2308	Walnut Township LSD (Fairfield)		13/4%	7503	Fairlawn LSD (Shelby)	.0075	3/4%
3907	Willard CSD (Crawford, Huron)		3/4%	7504	Fort Loramie LSD (Darke, Shelby)	.0150	11/2%
7107	Zane-Trace LSD (Ross)		3/4%	5406	Fort Recovery LSD (Darke, Mercer)		11/2%
-	(,	-	, •	1903	Franklin Monroe LSD (Darke, Miami)		3/4%
				7202	Fremont CSD (Sandusky)		11/4%
				2603	Gorham Fayette LSD (Fulton)		1%
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Traditional Tax Base School Districts (cont'd.) Traditional Tax Base School Districts (cont'd.)							
1305	Goshen LSD (Clermont, Warren)		1%	5405	Parkway LSD (Auglaize, Mercer,		
2904	Greeneview LSD (Clinton, Fayette,	.0100	1 70	0100	Van Wert)	.0100	1%
	Greene)	.0100	1%	3504	Patrick Henry LSD (Henry, Putnam,		
1904	Greenville CSD (Darke)		1/2%		Wood)	.0175	13/4%
7505	Hardin-Houston LSD (Shelby)	.0075	3/4%	6302	Paulding EVSD (Paulding, Putnam)		1%
3302	Hardin Northern LSD (Hancock,			8708	Perrysburg EVSD (Wood)		1/2%
0004	Hardin)		13/4%	2604	Pettisville LSD (Fulton, Henry)		1%
2004	Hicksville EVSD (Defiance)		3/4% 1/0/	2307	Pickerington LSD (Fairfield, Franklin)		1%
5902 3604	Highland LSD (Delaware, Morrow)		½% 1%	5507	Piqua CSD (Miami)	.0125	11/4%
3504	Hillsboro CSD (Highland) Holgate LSD (Henry)		11/2%	7007	Plymouth-Shiloh LSD (Crawford, Huron, Richland)	0100	1%
6903	Jennings LSD (Putnam)		3/4%	6804	Preble Shawnee LSD (Butler,	.0100	1 /0
4503	Johnstown-Monroe LSD (Delaware,		,4,0	0004	Montgomery, Preble)	.0100	1%
.000	Licking)	.0100	1%	2509	Reynoldsburg CSD (Fairfield, Franklin,		
6904	Kalida LSD (Putnam)		1%		Licking)	.0050	1/2%
3303	Kenton CSD (Hardin, Wyandot)		1%	3304	Ridgemont LSD (Hardin, Logan)	.0175	13/4%
7204	Lakota LSD (Sandusky, Seneca, Wood)	.0150	11/2%	3305	Riverdale LSD (Hancock, Hardin,		
6905	Leipsic LSD (Putnam)		3/4%		Wyandot)		1%
3205	Liberty-Benton LSD (Hancock)		3/4%	4604	Riverside LSD (Logan, Shelby)		1¾%
3502	Liberty Center LSD (Fulton, Henry)	.0175	1¾%	7507	Russia LSD (Darke, Shelby)		3/4%
2306	Liberty Union-Thurston LSD	0.475	42/0/	7406	Seneca East LSD (Huron, Seneca)		1%
4500	(Fairfield)		13/4%	7008	Shelby CSD (Richland)	.0100	1% 1¼%
4506	Licking Valley LSD (Licking, Muskingum)		1%	3905 1205	South Central LSD (Huron, Richland) Southeastern LSD (Clark, Greene)		1%
4903 0303	London CSD (Madison) Loudonville-Perrysville EVSD (Ashland,	.0100	1%	4510	Southwest Licking LSD (Fairfield,	.0100	1 /0
0303	Holmes, Knox, Richland)	0125	11/4%	4310	Licking)	.0075	3/4%
0905	Madison LSD (Butler)		1/2%	0209	Spencerville LSD (Allen, Auglaize,		7470
3206	McComb LSD (Hancock, Putnam,	.0000	7270		Van Wert)	.0100	1%
	Wood)	.0150	1½%	5010	Springfield LSD (Mahoning)	.0100	1%
1102	Mechanicsburg EVSD (Champaign,			8607	Stryker LSD (Williams)	.0150	1½%
	Madison)	.0150	1½%	2606	Swanton LSD (Fulton, Lucas)	.0075	3/4%
8604	Millcreek-West Unity LSD (Williams)		1%	0909	, , ,	.0100	1%
6906	Miller City-New Cleveland LSD (Putnam)	.0125	1¼%	1103	Triad LSD (Champaign, Logan, Union)		1½%
0601	Minster LSD (Auglaize, Darke, Mercer	0400	40/	1906	Tri-Village LSD (Darke)		11/2%
1005	Shelby)		1%	6805	Twin Valley Community LSD (Preble)		11/2%
1905 8802	Mississinawa Valley LSD (Darke) Mohawk LSD (Crawford, Seneca,	.0175	1¾%	7106	Union-Scioto LSD (Ross) United LSD (Columbiana)		½% ½%
0002	Wyandot)	0100	1%		Upper Sandusky EVSD (Crawford,	.0050	/2 /0
5903	Mount Gilead EVSD (Morrow)		3/4%	0003	Marion, Wyandot)	.0125	11/4%
6802	National Trail LSD (Darke, Preble)		13/4%	3306	Upper Scioto Valley LSD (Auglaize,	.0120	17470
0602	New Bremen LSD (Auglaize, Mercer,				Hardin, Logan)	.0050	1/2%
	Shelby)	.0100	1%	5713	Valley View LSD (Montgomery, Preble)	.0125	11/4%
0603	New Knoxville LSD (Auglaize, Shelby)	.0125	1¼%	8104	Van Wert CSD (Van Wert)	.0100	1%
5708	New Lebanon LSD (Montgomery)	.0125	11/4%	3208	Vanlue LSD (Hancock, Seneca,		
3903	New London LSD (Ashland, Huron,	0.4.00	407	4007	Wyandot)		1%
0007	Lorain)		1%	1907	Versailles EVSD (Darke, Shelby)		1%
0907	New Miami LSD (Butler)		1%	0605	Wapakoneta CSD (Auglaize)	.0075	3/4%
7404 4507	New Riegel LSD (Seneca) Newark CSD (Licking)		1½% 1%	6303	Wayne Trace LSD (Paulding, Putnam, Van Wert)	0125	11/4%
5506	Newton LSD (Darke, Miami)		13/4%	0606	Waynesfield-Goshen LSD (Allen,	.0123	1 /4 /0
8003	North Union LSD (Delaware, Union)		1%	0000	Auglaize, Logan)	.0100	1%
5904	Northmor LSD (Marion, Morrow,	.0.00	. , 0	4715	Wellington EVSD (Huron, Lorain)		1%
	Richland)	.0100	1%	1105	West Liberty-Salem LSD (Champaign,	•	
8505	Northwestern LSD (Ashland, Wayne)		11/4%		Logan)		13/4%
3904	Norwalk CSD (Huron)		1/2%	3906	Western Reserve LSD (Erie, Huron)		11/4%
4712	Oberlin CSD (Lorain)		2%	1404	Wilmington CSD (Clinton, Greene)		1%
7405	Old Fort LSD (Sandusky, Seneca)		1%	3122	Wyoming CSD (Hamilton)	.0125	11/4%
8707	Otsego LSD (Henry, Lucas, Wood)		1%	2906	Xenia Community CSD (Greene,	0050	1/0/
6907	Ottawa-Glandorf LSD (Putnam)		1/2%	2007	Warren)		½% 10/
6908	Ottoville LSD (Paulding, Putnam)		3/4% 13/0/	2907	Yellow Springs EVSD (Clark, Greene)	.0100	1%
6909	Pandora-Gilboa LSD (Allen, Putnam)	.01/5	1¾%				