# **TOP 10** REASONS TO BELONG



Professional Networking



Publications & Teaching Resources

# 1. A voice for our profession

Membership in a professional organization is powerful! Belonging to OBEA gives you strength as a teacher of business, marketing, and information technology courses! Whether you are a CTE or non-CTE teacher, your membership lends credibility to your position in advocating for your courses both at the local and state levels.

# 2. A network of like-minded colleagues

As a member of OBEA, you have access to a statewide network of like-minded educators with which you can network online or at professional events.

## 3. Local access to membership activities and events

OBEA is broken down into six regional sections across the state — Northeast Ohio, East Central Ohio, Central and Southeast Ohio, Northwest Ohio, West Central Ohio, and Southwest Ohio. We need members like YOU to help promote and grow our organization!

# 4. Improved professional practice

Through high-quality professional development, OBEA membership provides you the opportunity to strengthen your professional practice in the classroom.

#### 5. Annual Professional Development Conference

Each fall, OBEA organizes and delivers a high-quality professional development conference packed with learning and networking opportunities and sessions designed to give you new teaching ideas and resources.

#### 6. A high-quality newsletter published 3 times a year

The OBEA Beacon is a high-quality newsletter published online three times each year with updates from the organization president and articles designed to keep you informed about your profession.

## 7. A refereed online journal publication

The Ohio Business Educator is a high-quality refereed journal published online on demand as articles are received and accepted. This publication is designed to provide OBEA members with high-quality research in the areas of curriculum, instruction, and trends.

#### 8. Simple, inexpensive annual membership dues

For just \$40 per year, you have access to all the member benefits offered by OBEA. That's just a little over \$0.11 per day for membership in a state association committed to your professional development and growth!

#### 9. Access to regional and national affiliates

As the state affiliate of North Central Business Education Association and National Business Education Association, your membership in OBEA provides you with even greater access to professional development and networking opportunities throughout our region as well as nationwide!

#### 10. Commitment to YOU!

OBEA is committed to you, our valuable members, and the needs you have as professional educators!



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