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STATE OF OHIO

Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint Leah R. Amstutz, from Richwood, Union County, Ohio, as a Member of the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission for a new term beginning December 22, 2023 and ending at the close of business September 20, 2026, replacing Leah R. Amstutz, whose term expired.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Ohio to be affixed, at Columbus, this 22nd day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty Three.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Mike DeWine", written over a horizontal line.

Mike DeWine
Governor

Leah Ruth Amstutz

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Objective

To obtain a position as associate director within the Office of Career-Technical Education in the Ohio Department of Education utilizing my leadership skills, education, and experiences within the state of Ohio.

Education

<i>Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan</i>	GPA: 3.2	1997-2000
Bachelor of Science		
Major: Animal Science		
<i>The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio</i>	GPA: 3.74	2000-2001
Teacher Certification (Agricultural Education)		
<i>Defiance College, Defiance, Ohio</i>	GPA: 4.00	2005-2009
Master of Arts in Education		

Work Experience

Ohio Department of Education, Office of Career-Technical Education, Director	2019-Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ensures implementation of Ohio's Strategic Plan.• Assists executive leadership in formulating policy and procedures for the office.• Collaborates with the Ohio Department of Higher Education to ensure seamless postsecondary transitions.• Ensures the alignment of Ohio's career-technical education content standards and assessments with industry needs, credentials, and postsecondary education pathways.• Ensures that adults without a high school diploma have the opportunity to earn their GED or high school diploma.• Promotes high-quality career technical and adult education (e.g., how students are trained, service delivery, professional development of staff).• Leads office leadership and staff in ensuring goals are met, services are rendered, and technical assistance is provided.• Collaborates with Office of Workforce Transformation, industry and others to ensure an efficient and accurate industry credential review process.• Stays abreast of local, national, and global trends and recommends solutions to assist state, districts, and schools in ensuring every graduate is prepared for successful employment and ongoing education.• Performs other duties as assigned by the Superintendent of Public Instruction & the Senior Executive Director of the Center for Teaching, Leading and Learning.	
Ohio Department of Education, Office of Career-Technical Education, Associate Director	2015-2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Deploys and directs staff to achieve critical work priorities; develops request for proposals, grant/contract proposal requests; administers/monitors grants and contracts.▪ Supervises assigned staff, makes staffing recommendations; manages day-to-day office activities and operations; and implements quality management initiatives.▪ Manages Ohio's career fields, manages technical assistance provided to school districts and helps lead the transition of CTE to problem-based instruction; serves as CTE liaison with other departments and interagency initiatives; directs professional development programs to meet needs of state and/or local CTE personnel; manages and analyzes data pertinent to CTE.▪ Establishes partnership linkages with business/industries/profession and key organizations that support and assist with maintenance of program quality; develops and implements CTE policy; develops and implements policy to support state and federal legislation; coordinates developments of policies and procedures for secondary education; and reviews research and exemplary programs to identify new program methods and activities needed for improvement, development and expansion for programs within CTE.	
Ohio Department of Education, Office of Career-Technical Education, Assistant Director	2013-2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Planned and managed technical content standards development and related assessments, designed and implemented professional development to support teacher networks, administrators, superintendents and university personnel, and assisted school districts with program development and improvement through technical assistance and customer service related to the agricultural and environmental career field along with all the career fields under the umbrella of family and consumer sciences.▪ Ohio Director for the FFA and FCCLA career-technical student organizations which included providing leadership and guidance to those students, managed and coordinated the organization's business operations, and developed and coordinated state leadership and recognition programs.	
Ohio Department of Education, Office of Career-Technical Education, Consultant	2011-2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Managed programs associated with the Ohio FFA Association's mission that support and recognize student achievement.	

- Assisted school districts with agricultural education program development and improvement through technical assistance and customer service.
- Provided professional development support to teacher networks, administrators, superintendents and university personal.

Wauseon Exempted Village Schools

2006-2011

- Assumed the position as lead teacher within the Wauseon Agricultural Education Department which includes the responsibilities of the daily development of instructional strategies to deliver the necessary curriculum to meet the needs of learners, supervises students in their Supervised Agricultural Experience Programs, and manages the local advisory committee as well as the Wauseon FFA Chapter.
- Wauseon FFA achievements since 2006
 - 10 American FFA Degree Recipients
 - 48 District Proficiency Award Winners
 - 9 State Proficiency Award Winners
 - 2 National Top Ten Finalist National Chapter Award
 - Represented Ohio at the National Land and Range Judging Invitational, Oklahoma City, OK
 - 20 State FFA Degree Recipients
 - 42 State Proficiency Award Finalist
 - 3 National Proficiency Award Finalist
 - 14 Top 5 Finishes in State CDE
 - Represented Ohio at the National Stock Show FFA General Livestock Judging Contest, Denver, CO.
 - 2007 International Study Abroad Program – Dominican Republic
 - 2009 International Study Abroad Program – Brazil

Archbold Area Schools

2002-2006

- Assumed the position as lead teacher within the Archbold Agricultural Education Department which included the responsibilities of the daily development of instructional strategies to deliver the necessary curriculum to meet the needs of learners, supervised students in their Supervised Agricultural Experience Programs, and managed the local advisory committee as well as the Archbold FFA Chapter.
- Archbold FFA achievements 2002-2006
 - 10 American FFA Degree Recipients
 - 22 District Proficiency Award Winners
 - 3 State Proficiency Award Winners
 - Gold Medal Chapter in 2006
 - 6th Place 2006 State General Livestock Judging CDE
 - 22 State FFA Degree Recipients
 - 16 State Proficiency Award Finalist
 - 1 National Proficiency Award Finalist
 - 8th Place 2006 State Rural Soils CDE
 - 20 Top 5 Finishes in District CDE

Livestock Evaluator

1999-Present

- Evaluates livestock at county fairs, and district and state exhibitions in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, and West Virginia

Substitute Teacher

December 2001-June 2002

- Supported the Leipsic, Continental, and Ottoville School Districts as a substitute teacher to maintain the delivery of curriculum in absence of the regular teacher.

Teacher Assistant

Spring 2001

- Aided the professor of the Livestock Evaluation class at the college of Animal Science at the Ohio State University in the development of instructional materials and delivery of content related to market and breeding livestock evaluation.

Ohio State Fair

2000-2002

- Assisted the entry department in managing entry data for all competitions at the Ohio State Fair through a exhibition computer database program as well as providing support to exhibitors daily.

Michigan State University Purebred Beef Teaching and Research Facility

1997-2000

- Facilitated the daily operations involving beef cattle management and all aspects of preparing cattle for Production Sales and Livestock Exhibitions.

Mid-State Wool Grower's Coop., Canal Winchester, Ohio

1997-1999

- Worked in customer service by recording, filling and packaging customers' orders and advised customers on pharmaceuticals and health programs for sheep.

Activities & Honors

Advance CTE

2015-Present

National Association Supervisors of Agricultural Education

2011-2015

Ohio Association of Agricultural Educators

2003-2015

- Career Development Event Advisory Committee Representative for District 1

National Association of Agricultural Educators

2003-2015

Ohio Sheep Improvement Association

2008-2017

- Serving an elected two-year term on the Ohio Sheep Improvement Board of Directors

State General Livestock Judging Career Development Event Committee

2006-2011

General Livestock Judging In-Service at Wilmington College

February 2010

- Delivered presentation to agricultural educators in the state of Ohio that illustrated the evaluation of market animals in relation to profit margins and reviewed the importance of understanding genetic indicators in breeding livestock.

Martha Holden Jennings Scholar Lecture Program

2009-2010

- Represented Wauseon Exempted Village Schools by accepting their domination to participate in Scholar Lecture Program at Bowling Green University.

2009 Ohio's Second International Summit for Education

- Presented a presentation about the International Study Abroad Program to Brazil that the Wauseon Agricultural Education Department completed in the summer of 2009 in relation that small grants yield big results.

2009 International Education Grant Recipient

- Wrote the grant based on the Wauseon Agricultural Education Department 2009 International Study Abroad Program to Brazil

State Animal Science Content Standard Development

Spring 2007

- Assisted in the revision of current animal science content standards

2000 Michigan State University Academic Quadrathlon Team

- First Place in Laboratory Practical Division at Animal Science Midwest Meetings

1998 Michigan State University Livestock Judging Team

- American Royal-Kansas City, Missouri: Tenth High Team
*Individual: Sixth in Sheep and Swine, Eighth Overall
- Mid Continent-Springfield, Illinois: Third High Team
*Individual: Sixth in Sheep and Swine, Sixth Overall
- National Barrow Show-Austin, Minnesota: Fourth High Team
*Individual: Ninth Overall
- Dixie National-Jackson, Mississippi: Fourth High Team
*Individual: Second in Market Cattle

References

Upon Request

GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Appointment Date: 12/22/2023

Name of Appointee: Leah R. Amstutz

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Term Begins: 9/21/2023

Term Ends: 9/20/2026

Party Affiliation Republican

Senate Confirmation: Appointed by the Governor, confirmed by the Senate

Financial Disclosure: Confidential disclosure required

Vice: Leah R. Amstutz

