

Ohio Pharmacists Association

2026 Student Pharmacist Legislative Day



February 17, 2026

Renaissance Columbus Downtown Hotel
50 North Third St., Columbus, Ohio

Who Should Attend ?

Student pharmacists who want to become politically active and advocate on behalf of the profession of pharmacy.

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What is Student Pharmacist Legislative Day?



Student Pharmacist Legislative Day is an advocacy event that allows student pharmacists to meet with legislators to educate them about the value of pharmacists on the health care team. You will learn about the latest legislative issues at the Ohio Statehouse, learn how to effectively communicate those issues, hear from the legislators themselves, and have a chance to individually visit their offices. This program will allow you to become involved in the issues impacting your future pharmacy practice in Ohio.



Student pharmacist advocates meet with Ohio State Senator Al Landis during the 2025 Student Pharmacist Legislative Day.



The Ohio Pharmacists Association and the Ohio Colleges of Pharmacy have joined together for this special advocacy day to inform you of crucial legislation impacting pharmacy practice. Student Pharmacist Legislative Day is designed to develop open dialogue between student pharmacists and lawmakers. Be a part of the process that will shape your profession.



“If you’re not at the table, you’re on the menu.”



Student advocates at the 2025 OPA Student Pharmacist Legislative Day

Preliminary Schedule

Week of February 9, 2026

Legislative Expert Instructional email sent to registrants

February 17, 2026

9:00 am **Registration/Continental Breakfast**

9:30 am **Legislative Briefing on Pharmacy Issues**

Michelle Fitzgibbon, OPA Lobbyist and President, The Fitzgibbon Group

In this session, OPA's lobbyist will give a complete overview of OPA's current legislative agenda. Learn about new laws/pending legislation impacting the profession of pharmacy, and get the tools and talking points you need to discuss those issues with your legislators.

10:30 am **Invited Legislators**

Key legislative staff and legislators invited

Invited Ohio legislators and staff will discuss current legislation pertaining to pharmacy practice during the new General Assembly. Bring your questions!

11:00 am **Breakout Session**

Students and faculty will break into groups to prepare for individual meetings at the Statehouse.

11:30 am **Lunch.** Enjoy lunch on your own at one of the many local venues.

12:30 **Meet with your Legislators**

-4:00 pm OPA will schedule appointments with your State Representative and/or State Senator. In these meetings, you have the opportunity to discuss critical pharmacy issues with your elected officials. In addition, you will also have the opportunity to tour the Ohio Statehouse and/or observe House/Senate sessions or committee meetings!

What Attendees Need to Know:

Once registered, you will receive a pre-event email prior to the event with resources to help prepare you for an optimal experience of the OPA 2026 *Student Pharmacist Legislative Day*. Prior to February 17, each registrant will receive a reminder email with event details.



Note: Registration and attendance at, or participation in, OPA meetings and other activities constitute an agreement by the registrant to OPA's use and distribution (both now and in the future) of the registrant or attendee's image in photographs, videotapes, and electronic reproduction of such events and activities.

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Registration Form

Name _____ Nickname for Badge _____

Home Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

College of Pharmacy _____ Expected Graduation Year _____

Cell Phone (_____) _____ E-mail _____

Emergency Contact _____ Phone (_____) _____

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Registration Fee and Payment _____

Registration Fee:

***\$35** Student or Faculty/Volunteer

Select your category:

☐ Student

☐ Faculty/Volunteer

Total Remitted \$ _____ (check made payable to *Ohio Pharmacists Association*)

Credit Card

☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express

Exp. Date _____ Sec. Code _____

Name on Card _____

Account # _____

Billing Address _____

(If different from above)

Electronic Funds Transfer

☐ Checking ☐ Savings ☐ Business Checking

Routing # _____

Account # _____

Name on Account _____

Refund requests cannot be honored for this program. No continuing pharmacy education is offered for participation in this program.

Student Pharmacist Legislative Day Locations



Renaissance Columbus Downtown Hotel
50 North Third Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215



Vern Riffe Building
77 S High St
Columbus, OH 43215



Ohio Statehouse
1 Capitol Square
Columbus, OH 43215

Parking options can be found in your registration confirmation.

Mail to: Ohio Pharmacists Association

2674 Federated Blvd
Columbus, OH 43235

Or fax with credit card: 614.389.4582

Or register online: ohiopharmacists.org

If physically impaired, please indicate any
special assistance you will need.



OPA Student Membership Benefits

- Attendance at OPA programs can be used to complete co-curricular requirements
- Discounted registration on OPA events and trainings
- Networking and leadership opportunities with OPA's New Practitioner Experience (NPX) Committee
- *Ohio Pharmacist* journal and *Ohio Pharmacy Newslines* emails to stay informed
- Legislative Updates, timely emails about changes in laws and rules affecting your profession