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APPROVAL, BONDS OF ASHVILLE VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, PICK-  
AWAY COUNTY, OHIO—\$45,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 9, 1928.

*Retirement Board, State Teachers' Retirement System, Columbus, Ohio.*

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BOARD OF EDUCATION—AUTHORITY TO FURNISH PERSONAL  
NECESSITIES OR MEDICAL CARE TO PUPILS DISCUSSED.

*SYLLABUS:*

1. *The authority vested in boards of education by virtue of Section 7777, General Code, to furnish personal necessities or medical care to children attending school, extends only to cases where the child in question is of compulsory school age and is unable to attend school because absolutely required to work at home or elsewhere in order to support himself, or help to support or care for others legally entitled to his services, who are unable to support or care for themselves.*

2. *Children of compulsory school age, other than those coming within the class described in Section 7777, General Code, whose eyesight is so defective that they are unable to do school work, or whose eyesight is so defective that by attempting to do school work without the use of eyeglasses their health would be impaired, and whose parents, or other persons upon whom such children are dependent, are financially unable to procure glasses for said children, should be furnished glasses by the proper municipal or township authorities, by virtue of the authority vested in them by Section 3476, General Code.*

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 9, 1928.

*Bureau of Inspection and Supervision of Public Offices, Columbus, Ohio.*

GENTLEMEN:—I am in receipt of your communication requesting my opinion in answer to the following question:

“A child of compulsory school age whose eyesight is defective to such an extent as to make it impossible for him to do good school work, the strain on the eyes being a menace to the general health, and the parents of the child are unable to pay for the necessary glasses, which the child should have, may the board of education furnish such necessary glasses under the provisions of Section 7777, G. C., or any other section of the law?”