

## School Board

### Board Member Term of Office <sup>1</sup>

The term of office for a School Board member begins immediately after both of the following occur:

1. The election authority canvasses the votes and declares the winner(s); this occurs within 21 days after the consolidated election held on the first Tuesday in April in odd-numbered years.
2. The successful candidate takes the oath of office as provided in Board policy 2:80, *Board Member Oath and Conduct*. <sup>2</sup>

The term ends 4 years later when the successor assumes office. <sup>3</sup>

LEGAL REF.: 10 ILCS 5/2A-1.1, 5/22-17, and 5/22-18.  
105 ILCS 5/10-10, 5/10-16, and 5/10-16.5.

CROSS REF.: 2:30 (School District Elections), 2:80 (Board Member Oath and Conduct), 2:210 (Organizational School Board Meeting)

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The footnotes are not intended to be part of the adopted policy; they should be removed before the policy is adopted.

<sup>1</sup> State or federal law controls this policy's content.

<sup>2</sup> The oath requirement is mandated by 105 ILCS 5/10-16.5, as added by P.A. 94-881.

<sup>3</sup> All local canvassing boards were abolished in 2006. The appropriate "election authority" (county clerk or election commission) canvasses the vote for school district elections (10 ILCS 5/1-8, added by P.A. 94-647). Any provision in The School Code to the contrary is superseded and ineffective. The election authority must canvass the vote within 21 days after the election (10 ILCS 5/22-17 and 5/22-18, as amended by P.A. 94-647). Within 28 days after the consolidated election, boards must hold an organizational meeting to elect electing officers and fix a time and place for the regular meetings (105 ILCS 5/10-16).

The board, by resolution, may submit the question of increasing the term to 6 years to the district's voters (105 ILCS 5/9-5).



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### Section 2 - Board of Education

#### Policy 2:50

#### Board Member Term of Office

The term of office for a Board of Education member begins within 7 days after the consolidated election held on the first Tuesday in April in the odd-numbered years and ends 4 years later when the successor assumes office.

**LEGAL REF.:** 10ILCS 5/2A-1.1  
105 ILCS 5/10-10 and 5/10-16.

**CROSS REF.:** 2:30 (Board of Education Elections), 2:210 (Organized Board of Education Meeting)

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