

NEW BOARD MEMBER WORKSHOP

The board of education will assist newly elected board members to become familiar with their duties and responsibilities as quickly as possible. All board members are encouraged to attend appropriate workshops, seminars, and conventions in order to develop professionalism and expertise.

Newly elected board members are required by state law and by board policy to complete at least 12 hours of instruction on education issues, including school finance, Oklahoma education laws, and ethics, duties, and responsibilities of district board of education members. Board members may attend a two-day workshop to be held within the state by the State Department of Education, or other workshops, seminars, or classes presented by any SDE approved organization, including institutes of higher education and the Oklahoma State School Boards Association (OSSBA). The 12 hours of attendance must be accomplished during the first 15 months of the board members' tenure. The board will insure that new members are notified of the date and time of such workshops.

The superintendent or the superintendent's designee will maintain records of each board member's training accomplishments and will notify any board member of the need for the board member to accomplish any additional training. The superintendent will notify the State Department of Education of any changes in board membership.

REFERENCE: 70 O.S. §5-110

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