

BOARD OF EDUCATION

BOARD VACANCIES – Unexpired Term Fulfillment

A Board vacancy shall be filled as follows:

1. Whenever a Board vacancy occurs, the remaining members of the Board shall, by majority vote, appoint a successor to fill such vacancy until the next regular school election, at which election a successor shall be elected to serve the remainder of the unexpired term. However, if less than 28 months remain in the term, or if the vacancy occurs less than 88 days before the next regular school election, the vacancy shall be filled by Board appointment for the balance of the unexpired term.
2. ~~If the Board fails to fill the vacancy within 45 days, the Regional Superintendent of Schools shall, within 30 days, fill the vacancy. Notice of vacancy will be submitted to the Regional Superintendent of Schools, within five (5) days after its occurrence, and will also be posted immediately via public notice on the Board of Education's webpage and the district's main website, in an area that is visible on the front page with a description of the application process, and will remain posted in an area that is visible on the front page throughout the application timeframe. A notice of vacancy will be posted on the District website's homepage for a minimum of seven (7) days. The posting will include a description of the application process and will remain posted throughout the application timeframe.~~
3. ~~Any successor shall meet the same legal qualifications as the Board member replaced. After the vacancy and application process are announced at a regularly scheduled meeting, applicants will have seven (7) business days to submit to the Board Secretary their application and resume outlining why they think they should be a board member. Those interested must:~~
 - a. Be eighteen (18) years of age
 - b. Be a resident for one year in the sub-district
 - c. Be a registered voter
 - d. Not be a child sex offender
 - e. Not be a school trustee, board member, treasurer, or other elected official
 - f. Meet any other qualification or factor identified by the Illinois School Code.
4. ~~Interviews will be scheduled for fifteen (15) minutes per applicant, to be held in closed session and any predetermined questions will be shared with, and developed by, all board members at least 24 hours in advance of the interviews. Deliberation between board members will also be held in closed session.~~
5. ~~If after a reasonable amount of deliberation, a tie exists, the two finalists will be announced publicly. the Board does not reach a consensus (majority) as to the replacement candidate, the Board may determine a process to fill the vacancy within the timeframes set forth in the School Code. the Board does not select the replacement member by majority, the Board may consider flipping a coin to settle a two-way tie. The two finalists will be contacted to set up another round of interviews and deliberation between board members will be held in closed session. If a tie still exists, the board will call upon the Regional Office of Education to break the tie.~~

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6. If the Board fails to fill the vacancy within 60 days, the Regional Superintendent of Schools shall, within 30 days, fill the vacancy.