

Board Training and Development
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To act effectively as the elected governing body of the District, the Board and individual Board members must be well trained regarding significant education policy issues and all items over which the Board exercises decision-making authority. The Board will annually assess its training and development needs and develop a training program sufficient to ensure all Board members and officers are sufficiently trained to successfully fulfill their responsibilities.

New Board members must successfully complete sixteen hours of orientation and training within one year of the date of election or appointment. This training shall include at least two hours and thirty minutes of training that provides up-to-date and reliable information on identifying signs of sexual abuse in children and danger signals of potentially abusive relationships between children and adults, as required by law.

Any school board member serving a term as of August 28, 2019, or elected or appointed after August 28, 2019, shall complete at least one hour of refresher training each year of any term in office related to the prevention of sexual abuse of children as required by law; except that, the refresher training shall not be required in the year in which the member completes initial orientation and training.

All programs providing the orientation and training must be offered by a statewide association organized for the benefit of members of Boards of education or be approved by the state Board.

The District will invest in the development of the Board as a whole, Board officers, and Board members individually to ensure the successful performance of the Board's role and responsibilities. The costs of all such training and development will be paid by the District.