

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER EDUCATION

Board Member Type	New	Incumbent	Appointed	Appointed (Short-Term)	<p>This is an overview/summary of the requirements outlined in state statute and agency rules. OSSBA tracks all board member credits obtained at OSSBA events and for all events attended by career-technology center board members. OSSBA works closely with the state Education Department, which is the final authority on board member credits for school districts.</p> <p>If a board member does not earn the required training, the State Board of Education will inform by certified mail the school board member and the superintendent of the violation of the requirements. The school board member will have 60 days from the date of receipt of the certified notice to complete the requirements. If the school board member does not complete the requirements by the end of the 60 days, the board of education is required to declare the seat vacant as per 70 O.S. Section 5-110.2.</p>
Credits* due within 15 months of election/appointment	Individual who has been elected to serve as a member of a district school board who has not been previously appointed or elected to serve as a school board member to the term immediately prior to the current term for which the member has been elected.	Individual who currently serves as a member of a district school board by either election or appointment and who also served as a school board member through either election or appointment to the term immediately prior to the current term of office.	Individual who is appointed to serve as a member of a district school board for a term of 15 or more months.	Individual who is appointed to serve as a member of a district school board for a term of <i>less than</i> 15 months.	
Additional credits* due before filing period for election/re-election	1 finance 1 ethics 1 open meeting act 9 other credits*	1 finance 1 ethics 1 open meeting act 3 other credits*	1 finance 1 ethics 1 open meeting act 9 other credits*	None** <i>** Credits obtained during short-term appointment period may count toward 15-month requirement if subsequently elected</i>	
	5-year term: 15 credits 4-year term: 12 credits 3-year term: 9 credits	5-year term: 15 credits 4-year term: 12 credits 3-year term: 9 credits	None	None	

* Credits must be in categories listed in 70 O.S. Section 5-110