

# Mandatory Board Member Training

Illinois General Assembly	Training Requirements	Who Must Receive Training	Timeline	Professional Development Opportunities
<p>Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/1.05</p>	<p>Open Meetings Act's (OMA) general applicability, procedures, and legal requirements.</p> <p><i>Also requires board members who have completed the training requirement to file a copy of their certificate of completion with the school board.</i></p>	<p>Every school board member must receive training.</p> <p>A board member who has completed the training and filed a copy of the certificate of completion with the school board is not required to subsequently complete the training.</p>	<p>Board members must complete this training no later than 90 days after taking the oath of office.</p>	<p>IASB's Online Learning Center.</p>
<p>Professional Development Leadership Training 105 ILCS 5/10-16a</p>	<p>A minimum of four hours of Professional Development Leadership Training (PDLT), including education and labor law, financial oversight and accountability, fiduciary responsibilities, and trauma-informed practices.*</p> <p><i>Also requires school districts to post on their websites the names of all board members who have successfully completed the training.</i></p>	<p>Every school board member elected, or appointed to fill a vacancy of at least one year's duration.</p> <p>A board member who has completed the training is not required to take this training again.</p>	<p>Board members must complete the training within the first year of the board member's first term.</p>	<p>IASB's Online Learning Center.</p>
<p>Performance Evaluation Reform Act 105 ILCS 5/24-16.5; 23 Ill. Admin. Code §51.235</p>	<p>A training program on Performance Evaluation Reform Act (PERA) evaluations.</p>	<p>School board members who participate in a vote on a dismissal based upon an "optional alternative evaluative dismissal process for PERA evaluations."</p>	<p>Prior to voting on a dismissal based upon an "optional alternative evaluative dismissal process for PERA evaluations."</p>	<p>IASB has included PERA content in all PDLT options.</p> <p>It is also a stand-alone course at IASB's Online Learning Center.</p>

\*Additional training on student outcomes will be added in 2025.

Please see **PRESS** policy 2:120, *Board Member Development*, for further information.

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