

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS' ELECTIONS

The school election takes place on the second Tuesday in September of odd-numbered years. Each school election is used to elect citizens to the board to maintain a five-member board and to address questions that are submitted to the voters.

Citizens of the school district community seeking a seat on the board must file their nomination papers with the board secretary, or the board secretary's designee, between sixty-four and forty days before the school election unless otherwise directed.

If a vacancy occurs on the board it may be filled by appointment within thirty days of the vacancy. If the board does not fill the vacancy by appointment, the board secretary will call a special election to fill the vacancy. Candidates for a seat created by a vacancy must file their nomination papers 25 days before the special election.

It is the responsibility of the county commissioner of elections to conduct school elections.

*NOTE: This policy state the legal requirements for school board elections and the filling of vacancies.*

*For more detailed discussion of this issue, see IASB's Policy Primer, Vol. 20 #6 – October 21, 2008.*

Legal Reference: Iowa Code §§39;45, 63, 69; 274.7; 277; 278.1; 279.7 (2013)

Cross Reference:

202 Board of Directors Members

203 Board of Directors' Conflict of Interest

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