

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS: NOMINATION AND ELECTION**

- a) Candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be nominated by petition. Such petition shall be directed to the Clerk of the School District, shall be signed by at least twenty-five qualified voters of the District, shall state the residence of each signer, shall state the name and residence of each candidate and whether such candidates are nominated for full terms or for unexpired portions of such terms. Each petition shall be filed with the Clerk of the District not later than the thirtieth day preceding the election day at which time candidates so nominated are to be elected.
- b) The notice of the annual District meeting must state that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education must be filed with the clerk of the District not later than the thirtieth day preceding the election at which time the candidates so nominated are to be elected.
- c) The hours of voting shall be as indicated by Board resolution.
- d) The position of candidates on ballots shall be determined by lot at a drawing conducted by the District Clerk on the day after the last filing. Candidates or their proxies may be present for the drawing.
- e) At least ten days prior to the election, the Board shall appoint at least two inspectors of election for each ballot box.
- f) The Clerk of the Board or Assistant Clerks shall attend the election and record the name and legal residence of each elector.
- g) Only qualified voters as determined by Education Law (Section 2012) may vote at any District meeting or election.
- h) In the event of death, resignation, refusal to serve, or any disqualification of a Board member, the Board at its next regular meeting may appoint a new member to fill such a vacancy unless a separate District election shall have been ordered for that purpose by the Commissioner of Education, or unless such election shall be postponed to a subsequent meeting of the Board by consent of a majority of all members. Any such vacancy filled by the Board shall be only for a term ending with the next annual meeting of the School District at which time such vacancy shall be filled in a regular manner for the balance of the unexpired term. The Board, at its own option, may also elect to call a special election to fill the unexpired term.
- k) When a term of office expires at the end of a school year and the office has become vacant at the time of election, the person elected to fill the new full-term vacancy begins his/her term of office immediately upon election.

Chapter 163 and 502, Laws of 1974; and Education Law §2018, §2105(14)

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