

BOARD MEMBER FINANCIAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

Note: The Education Law mandates that all board members elected or appointed on or after July 1, 2005 receive a minimum of six hours of training on their financial oversight responsibilities. The providers, as well as the curriculum, used for such training must be approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Members of the Board of Education elected or appointed for a term beginning on or after July 1, 2005, shall, within the first year of their term, complete a minimum of six hours of training on the fiscal oversight, accountability and fiduciary responsibilities of a school board member. Such training may be offered as part of a general course of training for the purpose of educating Board members on their powers, functions and duties.

Each member shall demonstrate compliance with this requirement by filing with the District Clerk a certificate of completion of such course issued by the provider. Actual and necessary expenses incurred in complying with this requirement shall be a charge against the school district.

Note: While it may be useful to repeat the training to keep one's skills up-to-date, the law does not require that a trustee, Board member, or BOCES Board member, upon demonstration of compliance with this training requirement, be required up-date this training.

Cross-ref: **Policy #4.6**, School Board Conferences, Conventions, and Workshops

Ref: Education Law §2102-a