

# Training Requirements for School Board Members

Length of Service	New Board Member Orientation	Other Statutory Requirements <sup>1</sup>	Post-Legislative Update to TEC	Child Abuse	Student Achievement & Accountability	Teambuilding	Additional continuing education (based on assessed needs)
New Trustees (First Year)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local Orientation<sup>3</sup> (3 hrs)</li> <li>Intro to TEC (3 hrs)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>OMA (1 hr)</li> <li>PIA (1-2 hrs)</li> <li>Cybersecurity<sup>2</sup> (~1 hr)</li> </ul>	N/A because update is incorporated into Intro to TEC				<b>10 hours</b> first year
~25 hours							
Experienced Trustees (More than 1 Year)	Can attend, but not required	Cybersecurity <sup>2</sup> (~1 hr)					
9–16 hours <sup>4</sup>							

**Training Requirements Notes:**

- <sup>1</sup>OMA and PIA training is required (outside of SBOE rule) of all elected officials within 90 days of election or appointment. PIA training may be delegated by district policy.
- <sup>2</sup>Cybersecurity training is required (outside of SBOE rule) of all school board members annually. Lists of approved online courses and providers of this training are identified by the Texas Department of Information Resources. The course length is determined by the provider.
- <sup>3</sup>Trustees may receive any training online **except** Local Orientation for new board members, teambuilding, and student achievement & accountability.
- <sup>4</sup>Required hours after the first year will vary depending on how the post-legislative update, child abuse, and student achievement & accountability hours fall for an individual trustee.

OMA- Open Meetings Act  
 TEC- Texas Education Code  
 PIA-Public Information Act  
 SBOE- State Board of Education