

ORIENTATION AND TRAINING

Sec. 1. BOARD MEMBER ORIENTATION AND TRAINING

Newly elected or appointed members to the Board shall participate in a local orientation session to familiarize the new Board member with the IDEA Greater Cincinnati, Inc. organization, the Articles of Incorporation, Code of Regulations, Board policies, and relevant portions of the Ohio Community Schools Act and the Ohio Administrative Code related to governance of a charter school.

a) Training

Unless exempted pursuant to applicable law, each new member of the Board must complete an introductory required training course consisting of 4 instructional hours, excluding breaks, administrative tasks, and other non-instructional time, delivered by a registered course. The training course may not use self-instructional materials, unless as otherwise provided.

b) Timeline for Completion

Each new member of the Board must complete the required training within one calendar year of election or appointment to the Board, or sooner if required by the School's sponsor contract.

c) Required Course Content

The required training shall include instruction in:

1. Basic school law;
2. Basic school finance;
3. Health and safety issues;
4. Accountability requirements related to the use of public funds;
5. Other requirements relating to accountability to the public;
6. Open meetings requirements under Ohio Revised Code, Section 121.22; and
7. Requirements relating to public records.

d) Exceptions and Exemptions

The Board may adopt a resolution permitting individual members to meet the prescribed training through an alternate training program as permitted by Ohio law.

Sec. 3. RECORD OF COMPLIANCE

All Board members, shall comply with initial and annual training requirements established in law. IDEA Greater Cincinnati, Inc. shall document compliance with these requirements.

Sec. 4. CONTINUED SERVICE

Continued service as a member of the Board is conditioned on satisfaction of the training requirements set forth in law and in the School's sponsor contract.

Sec. 5. AUDIT DISCLOSURE

IDEA Greater Cincinnati, Inc. shall separately disclose, in its annual audit report of its financial and programmatic operations, a member of the Board who fails to complete the training requirements set forth in law and who continues to serve in such capacity as of the date of the audit report.