

Did You Know?

School boards

■ There are 4,509 school board members in Pennsylvania: nine members per district in each of the 501 districts.

■ The school board is designated by state law to govern the policies, procedures and operations of the school district.



■ School board members are volunteers; they receive no compensation for their service.

■ School board members devote an average of 16-20 hours a month to school board business.

■ The “typical” school director is male, well-educated and married with two or three children attending public schools.

■ Requirements to be a school board member are that the individual must be 18 years or older, a resident of the district in which the person wishes to serve and a person “of good moral character.”

■ School boards are required by law to meet once every two months. Most boards meet once or twice a month.

■ School board members serve four-year terms. School board elections are held every two years, with five elected one term and four elected the other term.

■ The school board members of each district serve on average 3,144 pupils.

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