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BOARD MEMBER NUMBER, TERM AND FILLING VACANCIES

The Board of Education shall consist of nine members.

The term of a Board member shall be three years, except that

1. The term of a member appointed to fill a vacancy shall be from the member's appointment to the organizational meeting following the next annual election and
2. The term of a member appointed to fill a vacancy within sixty days of an annual election shall be from the member's appointment to the organizational meeting following the second annual election after his or her appointment. Sixty days commences upon Board of Education formal action.

Vacancies Filled by the Board

The board shall fill vacancies created by the resignation, removal by the board for cause or death of a serving member, or when a member ceases to be a bona fide resident of the district. The vacancy shall be filled within the 65 days prescribed by law.

Procedures by which to select the persons to fill such vacancies may include advertisement of the vacancy in suitable local media, and interviews with interested parties conducted in public by the board acting as committee of the whole.

If a vacancy occurs on the board due to the recall of a board member, all procedures of the law shall be followed to fill that vacancy.

Vacancies filled by the board shall be by a majority vote of the remaining members of the board after the vacancy occurs.

Vacancies Filled by the County Superintendent

The county superintendent fills vacancies that the board fails to fill within 65 days, and those caused by the voters' failure to elect a member, or by the removal of a member because of lack of qualifications, some flaw in the election, or when a recount or contested election fails to elect a member. The county superintendent also appoints enough members to make up a quorum.

Legal References: N.J.S.A. 18A:6-56

Election of members of representative assembly; vacancies (educational services commission)

N.J.S.A. 18A:12-1

Qualifications of board members

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<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:12-3	Removal of members
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:12-7	Boards; appointments; vacancies (Type I district)
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:12-15	Vacancies (Type II district)
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:13-11	Vacancies in membership of board; filling (regional)
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:38-8.1	Additional member on board of education in each sending district
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 19:27A-1 <u>et seq.</u>	Uniform Recall Election Law

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