

# Mandatory Board Member Training

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<p>Open Meetings Act (OMA) P.A. 97-504 Effective January 1, 2012</p>	<p>OMA general applicability, procedures and legal requirements</p> <p><i>Also requires board members who have completed the training requirement to file a copy of their certificate of completion with the school board.</i></p>	<p>Every school board member</p>	<p>Board members in office on January 1, 2012 are required to complete this training within one year of that date. Board members taking office after January 1, 2012 must complete this training no later than 90 days after taking the oath of office.</p>	<p>IASB offers multiple options, including:</p> <p><b>Plan for 2012:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. OMA training offered in all 21 IASB Divisions (See Events Calendar at <a href="http://www.iasb.com">www.iasb.com</a>.)</li> <li>2. Joint Annual Conference panel.</li> </ol> <p><b>Plan for 2013 post-election:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. OMA training available through IASB's Online Learning Center at <a href="http://www.iasb.com">www.iasb.com</a>.</li> <li>2. <i>Basics of Law on Board Meetings and Practices</i>, a LeaderShop workshop, offered regionally as part of IASB'S new board member training.</li> </ol> <p>Board members who took OMA training in 2011 are in compliance without taking an additional course.</p>



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P.A. 97-08 (105 ILCS 5/10-16a new) Effective June 13, 2011	A minimum of 4 hours of professional development leadership training, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Education and labor law,</li> <li>• Financial oversight and accountability, and</li> <li>• Fiduciary responsibilities.</li> </ul> <i>Also requires school districts to post on their websites the names of all board members who have successfully completed the training.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Every school board member elected for a term beginning after June 13, 2011, and</li> <li>• Every school board member appointed after June 13, 2011 to fill a vacancy of at least one year's duration</li> </ul>	Applicable to only those board members who are elected after June 13, 2011 or who are appointed to fill a vacancy of at least one year's duration after June 13, 2011; they must complete the training by June 13, 2012 or within the first year of the board member's first term.	<i>New Board Member Professional Development Leadership Training</i> , offered through the Online Learning Center at <a href="http://www.iasb.com">www.iasb.com</a> after January 1, 2012.
P.A. 97-08 (105 ILCS 5/24-16.5 new) Effective June 13, 2011	A training program on Performance Evaluation Reform Act (PERA) evaluations*	School board members who participate in a vote on a dismissal based upon an "optional alternative evaluative dismissal process for PERA evaluations"	Prior to voting on a dismissal based upon an "optional alternative evaluative dismissal process for PERA evaluations"	This training will be developed after ISBE publishes its implementing rules.

\* The previously enacted Performance Evaluation Reform Act (PERA,) requires school districts to incorporate student growth as a significant factor in principal and teacher evaluations. P.A. 97-08 will allow school officials to incorporate performance into personnel decisions, i.e. tenure, RIFs, tenured teacher dismissal, etc.

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