

**Darien Public Schools
Darien, Connecticut**

POLICY

Series 9100

Legal Status of the Board

Policy 9160

FILLING VACANCIES ON THE BOARD

1. Unless otherwise provided by charter or special act, if a vacancy occurs on the Board of Education, the remaining members of the Board shall fill such vacancy at a meeting or a special meeting convened for that purpose.
2. A member resigning from the Board of Education should present or have presented, a letter of resignation to the Board of Education at a regular or special meeting. Such letter should be addressed to the Chairperson of the Board of Education and to the Town Clerk. A resigning member should provide the Board of Education with the earliest possible notification of intent to resign.
3. Having accepted a letter of resignation, or having become aware of a vacancy created by means other than the resignation of a Board member, the Board of Education will schedule the election of a replacement at the next regular Board meeting or at a special meeting convened for such purpose. Such election shall be made by the majority vote of all Board members.
4. The Board of Education shall fill such vacancy with an individual from the same political party as the member who previously filled such position. The Board may consult with the appropriate Town committee for its recommendation.
5. Said election, made by the majority of the Board, shall be in effect until the next regular Town election, at which a successor shall be elected for the unexpired portion of the term. The official ballot shall specify the vacancy to be filled.

Legal Reference:

Connecticut General Statutes
10-219 Vacancy

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