

Policy

OATH OF OFFICE

Each member of a board of education shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, take and subscribe:

- A. An oath that he/she possesses the qualifications of membership prescribed by law, including a specific declaration that he/she is not disqualified as a voter pursuant to R.S. 19: 4-1, and that he/she will faithfully discharge the duties of this office, and also
- B. The oath prescribed by N.J.S.A. 18A:12-2.1 of the revised statutes. The duly prescribed oath of office is to be administered by the board secretary.

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Key Words

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<u>Legal Reference:</u>	<u>N.J.S.A. 18A:12-2.1</u>	Qualifying oaths of members
	<u>N.J.S.A. 18A:6-20</u>	The right to testify; counsel; witnesses; compulsory process
	<u>N.J.S.A. 18A:6-54</u>	Representative assembly; organization; election of board of directors and officers (educational services commission)
	<u>N.J.S.A. 18A:13-12</u>	Organization of boards; failure to organize
	<u>N.J.S.A. 18A:15-1</u>	President and vice president; election or failure to elect
	<u>N.J.S.A. 18A:15-2</u>	Removal of president or vice president; vacancies
	<u>N.J.S.A. 18A:19-1</u>	Expenditure of funds on warrant only; requisites
	<u>N.J.S.A. 18A:19-9</u>	Compensation of teachers, etc., payrolls
	<u>N.J.S.A. 18A:54-18</u>	Organization of Boards of education (county vocational schools)

<u>Cross References:</u>	*1120	Board of education meetings
	*9020	Public statements
	*9111	Qualifications
	*9130	Committees
	*9322	Public and executive sessions

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.