



## **OGP-10 Board Member Residency and Resignation**

Policy Type: Operational Governance Policy

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### **Residency**

A school director must remain a resident of the school District to be eligible to continue to serve as a school Board member. If a director's residence changes to a place outside the District, the director must resign immediately and their eligibility to serve ends with the change of residence.

A director is required to live within a specific director area of the District in order to be elected or appointed to the school Board. A director elected from a director district may continue to serve as a director from the District even though the director no longer resides in the director district, but continues to reside in the District, under the following conditions: (a) If the change in residency occurs after the opening of the regular filing period, in the year two years after the director was elected to office, the director shall remain in office for the remainder of their term of office; or (b) if the change in residency occurs prior to the opening of the regular filing period, in the year two years after the director was elected to office, the director shall remain in office until a successor assumes office who has been elected to serve the remainder of the unexpired term of office at the District general election held in that year.

If a director's director area boundaries are redrawn during their term of office, the director may serve out the term he/she was elected to.

### **Resignation**

Upon receipt of a director's written resignation, the Board shall discuss the resignation at its next regularly scheduled meeting. The Board shall then acknowledge and announce the resignation.

The resignation shall be effective immediately unless otherwise stated. If a future date is stated, the resignation may be rescinded prior to the effective date.

### **Legal References:**

RCW 28A.343.340 Directors — When elected — Eligibility

RCW 28A.343.350 Residency

RCW 29A.04.151 Residence

RCW 29A.76.010 Redistricting by counties, municipal corporations, and special purpose districts

RCW 42.12.010 Causes of Vacancy

AGO 1975 No. 8 Vacancy upon voluntary change of residence out of director district (note modification by 1999 amendment codified as RCW 28A.343.350)

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