

BB 9220 SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

Note: Pursuant to [AS 29.20.300](#), the assembly serves as the school board for third class boroughs. Pursuant to [AS 14.12.110](#), where the public school population is less than 500 the voters may provide by referendum that the borough assembly serve as the school board.

Unless the term of office is modified by ordinance under [AS 29.20.300](#), School Board members shall be elected for a three-year term in accordance with procedures established by ordinance for municipal elections or by state regulations for regional educational attendance areas.

Note: Pursuant to [AS 14.14.140](#), a Board member may not be employed by the school district, except that under [AS 14.08.041](#) a member of a REAA regional school board may be employed as a substitute teacher under emergency circumstances of a time-limited duration.

Any person eligible to be a voter in the district and who has not been convicted of a felony involving moral turpitude (unless the person has been unconditionally discharged for the felony and at least 10 years have passed since the date of unconditional discharge) is eligible for Board membership. In this section, "unconditionally discharged" has the meaning given in [AS 12.73.090](#).

A district employee may seek election to the Board but must resign his/her position with the District if elected, except for employment as a substitute teacher under [AS 14.08.041](#).

Note: The following optional language is intended to avoid situations which may be viewed as a conflict of interest.

A Board member should resign from the Board before seeking to secure district employment. In no event shall a final decision for hire be made prior to receiving the Board member's resignation.

~~However, a district employee elected to the Board must resign his/her position with the District in order to qualify for Board membership.~~

(cf. 9210 – Qualifications)

(cf. 9250 - Remuneration, Reimbursement and other Benefits)

(cf. 9270 - Conflict of Interest)

Note: The following options should be revised or deleted as appropriate in light of applicable municipal ordinances or state regulations. [AS 29.26.060](#) requires runoff elections for school boards unless otherwise provided by municipal ordinance. [AS 14.08.071](#) authorizes regional school boards, by resolution, to request of the Lieutenant Governor that runoff elections not be held.

OPTION 1: Whenever it is impossible to determine which of two or more candidates has been elected to the Board, the Board shall immediately notify the candidates who received the tie votes of the time and place where lots shall be cast to determine the winner.

OPTION 2: Whenever it is impossible to determine which of two or more candidates has been elected to the Board, a runoff election shall be held in accordance with law.

(cf. 9270 - Conflict of Interest)

Legal Reference:

ALASKA STATUTES

[14.08.041](#) *Regional school boards*

[14.08.051](#) *School board sections*

[14.08.061](#) *Term of office*

[14.08.071](#) *Elections*

[14.08.081](#) *Recall*

[14.12.050](#) *School board terms*

[14.12.080](#) *Qualification of members*

[14.12.110](#) *Single body as assembly and school board*

[14.14.140](#) *Restrictions on employment*

[29.20.300](#) *School boards*

[29.26.060](#) *Runoff elections*

[39.50.020](#) *Report of financial and business interests*

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