

POLICY 1030

Qualifications for Board Members

A. General Qualifications

1. Every Member of a Board of Education must be and remain a resident and a registered voter in the local school board district from which he/she is elected or appointed.
2. Maintain his or her primary residence within the local school board district from which the member is elected or appointed; and
3. Take and sign the constitutional oath of office:
 - a. "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, obey and defend the constitution of the United State and the Constitution of Utah, and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity."

[Utah Constitution Art. IV, Sec. X](#)
[Utah Code § 53G-4-201 \(2019\)](#)
[Utah Code § 20A-14-202\(3\) \(2022\)](#)

4. After the board member has taken and signed the oath of office, the oath shall be filed with the business administrator of the District.

[Utah Code § 52-1-6 \(2025\)](#)

~~B. The term of office for an elected member shall be four years, except as required because of reapportionment as set forth below, and begins on the first Monday in January following the election.~~

~~[Utah Code § 20A-14-203\(2\) \(2022\)](#)~~

~~C. An individual may become a candidate for a local school board by filing a declaration of candidacy with the county clerk and paying the fee as required by Utah Code § 20A-9-202. The declaration of candidacy must be filed in person in accordance with Utah State Election Code 20A.~~

~~[Utah Code § 20A-14-203\(1\) \(2022\)](#)~~

~~Utah Code § 20A-9-201.5 (2025)~~

- ~~D. The School Board shall fill vacancies on the Board by appointment as outlined in Utah Code § 20A-1-511.~~
- ~~E. Redistricting does not affect the right of any school board member to complete the term for which the member was elected.~~
- ~~F. If after redistricting only one board member whose term extends beyond reapportionment lives within a reapportioned school board district, that board member shall represent that school board district.~~
- ~~G. If after redistricting two or more members whose terms extend beyond reapportionment live within a reapportioned school board district, the members involved shall select one member by lot to represent that school board district.~~
- ~~1. The other members shall serve at-large for the remainder of their terms.~~
- ~~2. Notwithstanding the number of board members otherwise established by law, the at-large board members shall serve in addition to the designated number of board members for the board in question for the remainder of their terms.~~
- ~~H. If after redistricting there is no board member living within a school board district whose term extends beyond reapportionment, the seat for that school board district shall be treated as vacant and filled as provided in paragraph D above.~~

~~Utah Code § 20A-14-201(6) (2025)~~

- ~~I. If, before an election affected by redistricting, the county or municipal legislative body that conducted the reapportionment determines that one or more members must be elected to terms of two years to meet this part's requirements for staggered terms, the legislative body shall determine by lot which of the local school board districts will elect members to two-year terms and which will elect members to four-year terms. All subsequent elections are for four-year terms.~~

~~Utah Code § 20A-14-201(7) (2025)~~