

Idaho Code 33-320 requires that each school district and charter school develop an annual plan that is part of a continuous focus on improving the student performance of the district or charter school. IC 33-320 also provides for a distribution to school districts and charter schools to reimburse them for the training of district superintendents and boards of trustees, public charter school administrators and boards of directors. See IDAPA 08.02.01.801 for more information on what is eligible for reimbursement. The State Department of Education will distribute up to \$6,600 in FY 2018 for the qualified training of superintendents/charter school administrators and boards or trustees/directors **on a reimbursement basis**.

I have received the following information from the Idaho School Board Association regarding their 2017 Fall Conference:

2017 Idaho School Board Association (ISBA) Convention

- Early Bird Session: Based on information provided by the ISBA, up to \$100 per board member and the superintendent/charter administrator may be eligible to be claimed for training reimbursement when a board member or the superintendent/charter administrator attend the Early Bird session.
- Session Workshops: Based on information provided by the ISBA, up to \$25 per board member and the superintendent/charter administrator may be eligible to be claimed for training reimbursement for each qualified session attended by a board member and/or the superintendent/charter administrator. Each of the five workshop sessions includes at least one class that is eligible for reimbursement. A maximum of \$125/person can be claimed if eligible workshops are attended during each of the five sessions. If both the Early Bird session and all five sessions attended are for eligible workshops, a maximum of \$225/person can be claimed for registration fees.
 - Per the ISBA, the eligible sessions for reimbursement include:
 - Early Bird Session – *Leadership Roles of the Board, Back to Basics-Board Boot Camp, and Strategic Plan and Beyond* (\$100)
 - Session 1 – *Open Meeting Law & Executive Session, Closing Relevance Gaps: Board Leadership for Future Ready Schools, Process of Hiring a Superintendent, and Governing Differently: Lessons from High Performing Districts* (\$25)
 - Session 2 – *Policies Required by Law, Will Teachers be Replaced by Robots, Board Norms, Get More Out of Your Audit, Bonds 101, and Best Practices in Reviewing IT Governance and Effectiveness* (\$25)
 - Session 3 – *Policies Required by Law, Better Employee Relationships Through Interest-Based Bargaining, Being a Board Member in the Digital Age, Making Data Visual and Easy to Understand, and Planning for Bond Elections: Best Practices, Legalities, and Finances* (\$25)
 - Session 4 – *The Coin of the Realm: School Financing in an Age of Uncertainty, and Staying Within the Lines as a Board Member, Superintendent, or Clerk* (\$25)
 - Session 5 – *Roles and Responsibilities, The Coin of the Realm: School Financing in an Age of Uncertainty, School Board/Superintendent Relations: A Rural District Prospective, Parliamentary Procedure, and Annual Continuous Improvement Plans, Literacy Plans, College and Career Advising Plans* (\$25)

- Travel Costs: A pro-rata of the travel expenses may also be eligible for reimbursement
 - Travel expenses should be reported separately on the reimbursement request
 - If a board member and/or the superintendent/charter administrator attended the Early Bird session, 17% of travel expenses may be claimed on the reimbursement request
 - For each one of the above eligible sessions attended by a board member and the superintendent/charter administrator, 8% of travel expenses may be claimed for a maximum of 40% on the request for reimbursement
 - If a board member and/or the superintendent/charter administrator attended the Early Bird session and all five of the workshops attended were qualifying for reimbursement, a maximum of 57% of travel expenses may be claimed on the request for reimbursement