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New Jersey School Districts 2018

Appointed Boards of Education
41

Elected Boards of Education
544
New Jersey School Districts 2018

Appointed Boards of Education

41

• County Vocational-Technical (18)
• County Special Services (5)
• County Spl Services and Vocational (3)
• Non-county based appointed boards (15)
Board of Education Membership

QUALIFICATIONS

N.J.S.A. 18A:12-1, 1.2

- Citizen and resident of the school district at least one-year preceding appointment or election
- Able to read and write
- Registered to vote and not disqualified
- Not be convicted of a disqualifying crime
Board of Education Membership

Type I (Appointed) Boards

*N.J.S.A. 18A:12- 5, 6, 7, 8, 9*

- Number of members – 5 or 7 by municipal ordinance, 9 in *cities of the first class* or by referendum
- Term of Office
  - 5 member board – 5 years
  - 7 or 9 member board – 3 years
Board of Education Membership

Type I (Appointed) Boards

N.J.S.A. 18A:12- 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

- **Cities other than cities of the first class**
  - Appointment by mayor, 4/1 - 4/15
  - Term begins 5/16

- **Cities of the first class**
  - Appointment by mayor, month of June
  - Term begins July 1
Board of Education Membership

Type I (Appointed) Boards

* N.J.S.A. 18A:12- 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

- Vacancies filled by mayor or other CEO of municipality
- Filled within 30 days, for unexpired term
Board of Education Membership

Type II (Elected) Boards

* N.J.S.A. 18A:12- 10, 11, 12, 13, 14

- Number of members – 9 or 3, 5, or 7 by law or referendum, three-year terms
- May increase or reduce number of members by referendum
- Annual School Election
  - April or November
Type II Annual School Election

Type II (Elected) Boards

Annual School Election

N.J.S.A. 19:60-1, 1.1

- Third Tuesday in April (4/19/22)
  - 14 districts, default date
- First Tuesday after first Monday in November (11/8/22)
  - 530 districts
  - No vote on the budget at or under cap
Type II Annual School Election

Type II (Elected) Boards

Cost of School Elections

* N.J.S.A. 19:60-1, 1.1, 12

- April Annual School Election and Special School Elections – all costs borne by the school district
- November Annual School Election – costs borne by the county; board pays any increased costs
Type II Annual School Election

Annual School Election
Changing the Date – Voter Approval

N.J.S.A. 19:60-1.1

• 15% Registered Voters
• Board of Education Resolution
• Governing Body Resolution
• Notice to Gov Body, Bd of Ed, Clerk
Type II Annual School Election

Annual School Election

Changing the Date Back – Voter Approval

*N.J.S.A. 19:60-1.1*

- Return to April from November
  - Only after four annual school elections
- Return to November from April - ?
- Two-year moratorium, Study Commission – P.L.2016 c.27
Board of Education Organization

Type I (Appointed) Boards


- Term begins with organization meeting, lasts until organization meeting following last year of term
  - Cities other than cities of the first class
    Organization meeting May 16
  - Cities of the first class
    Organization meeting July 1 (?)
Board of Education Organization

Type II (Elected) Boards


- Term begins with organization meeting, lasts until organization meeting following last year of term
  - April School Election - Organization meeting occurs – 1\textsuperscript{st} or 2\textsuperscript{nd} week following election
  - November School Election – January 1-7
Board of Education Vacancies

Type II (Elected) Boards

*N.J.S.A. 18A:12-15*

- Vacancies generally filled by the board
- Vote - majority of remaining members of the board after vacancy occurs
  - If vacant for 65 days, Executive County Superintendent (ECS) appoints
Board of Education Vacancies

Type II (Elected) Boards


- Unexpired terms placed on the ballot in next annual school election when vacancy occurs
  - April Annual School Election - 60 Days before
  - November Annual School Election – before third Monday in July
Board of Education Membership

Type II Appointed Boards

*N.J.S.A. 18A:12-16, 17, 18, 19*

- Appointments of board members similar to Type I
- Unaware of any boards of this type
School Budget Approval

Type I (Appointed) Boards

N.J.S.A. 18A:7F- 5, 6
N.J.S.A. 18A:22- 7, 10, 11, 12, 14

- Adoption and filing of budget with ECS, March 4, 2022
- Executive County Superintendent approval March 23, 2022
- Public hearing before Board of School Estimate; March 23 – March 30
School Budget Approval

Type I (Appointed) Boards

- Board of School Estimate – Two board of education members; two governing body members; mayor or CEO of municipality
School Budget Approval

Type I (Appointed) Boards
*N.J.S.A. 18A:22- 7, 10, 11, 12, 14*

- Board of School Estimate – Adopt and certify budget to board of education and governing body
- At or after the public hearing, but not later than April 8, 2022
- Governing body includes tax levy in tax ordinance
School Budget Approval

Type I (Appointed) Boards

N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-9.9

- Application for Restoration of Reductions by board of education

- 10 Working days after action by Board of School Estimate.
School Budget Approval

Type II (Elected) Boards - April

N.J.S.A. 18A:7F- 5, 6
N.J.S.A. 18A:22- 7, 10, 11, 12, 14

- Adoption and filing of budget with Executive County Superintendent, March 4, 2022
- Executive County Superintendent approval, April 13, 2022
- Public hearing before Board of Education; April 13 – April 20
School Budget Approval

Type II (Elected) Boards - April

N.J.S.A. 18A:7F- 5, 6
N.J.S.A. 18A:22- 7, 10, 11, 12, 14

• Adoption of budget, including amount to be raised by taxes, April 22, 2022
• At or after the public hearing, but not later than 18 days prior to the election
• Recorded roll call majority vote of full board membership
School Budget Approval

Type II (Elected) Boards - April

- Public Question submitted to county clerk; 18th day before the election
- School Election – 3rd Tuesday in April
- Polling hours 4 p.m. – 8 pm.; board of education may designate any greater hours from 6 a.m. – 8 p.m.  N.J.S.A. 19:15-2
School Budget Approval

Type II (Elected) Boards - April


- Voters approve – tax levy certified to county board of taxation by board of education
- Voters disapprove – budget sent to municipal governing body for review
- Governing body determines tax levy; May 19, 2022
School Budget Approval

Type II (Elected) Boards - April

N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-9.9

- Governing body failure to certify
- Application for Restoration of Reductions by board of education
- 10 Working days after action by governing body.
School Budget Approval

Type II (Elected) Boards - November

*N.J.S.A. 18A:7F- 5, 6*
*N.J.S.A. 18A:22- 7, 10, 11, 12, 14*

- Adoption and filing of budget with Executive County Superintendent, March 20 (3/20/18)
- Executive County Superintendent approval
- Public hearing before Board of Education; April 24 – May 7
School Budget Approval

Type II (Elected) Boards - November

*N.J.S.A. 18A:7F- 5, 6*
*N.J.S.A. 18A:22- 7, 10, 11, 12, 14, 32, 33*

- Adoption of budget, including amount to be raised by taxes
- At or after the public hearing, but not later than May 14, 2022
- Recorded roll call majority vote of full board membership
School Budget Approval

Type II (Elected) Boards - November

*N.J.S.A. 18A:7F- 5, 6
*N.J.S.A. 18A:22- 7, 10, 11, 12, 14, 32, 33

- Tax levy certified by the board of education to the county board of taxation - May 19, 2022
School Capital Project Funding

School Bonds Authorization


- Ordinance adopted by governing body from board of school estimate within a Type I school district, or

- Resolution adopted by a recorded roll call majority vote of the full membership of the board of education of a Type II district having a board of school estimate, or
School Capital Project Funding

School Bonds Authorization


• Resolution adopted by the board of education, by a recorded majority vote of its full membership and is adopted by the legal voters, of any other type II district, including a regional district, authorizing the issuance of such bonds by the municipality or the district
Submit Question to Voters
N.J.S.A. 18A:9 – 4, 5, 6

- Governing body by resolution
- Board of Education by resolution
- Voter petition – 15% of legally qualified voters, last general election for members of the general assembly, filed with municipal clerk or board of education
- Four year moratorium after election
Type I to Type II

Submission of Question to Voters

*N.J.S.A. 18A:9 – 7, 8, 9, 10, 11*

- Vote for Adoption of Question
- If approved, district becomes Type II immediately, board members remain until expiration of terms
- Next school election, increase to nine members
- 3 seats each year, 3-year terms, ASAP
Submission of Question to Voters

*N.J.S.A. 18A:9 – 7, 8, 9, 10, 11*

- All board member terms extended until January 2019
- March 13, 2018 Special School Election – one 8 month term, one 2 year 8 month term
- Three (3) three-year terms up for election November 2018
Type II to Type I

Submission of Question to Voters

_N.J.S.A. 18A:9 – 7, 8, 9, 10, 11_

- Vote for Adoption of Question
- If approved, district becomes Type I
  January 31; _Cities of the first class_
  June 30
- New board members appointed by the mayor effective February 1, July 1
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