

Ohio Revised Code Section 3319.60 Educator standards board.

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There is hereby established the educator standards board. The board shall develop and recommend to the state board of education standards for entering and continuing in the educator professions and standards for educator professional development. The board membership shall reflect the diversity of the state in terms of gender, race, ethnic background, and geographic distribution.

- (A) The board shall consist of the following members:
- (1) The following nineteen members appointed by the state board of education:
- (a) Ten persons employed as teachers in a school district. Three persons appointed under this division shall be employed as teachers in a secondary school, two persons shall be employed as teachers in a middle school, three persons shall be employed as teachers in an elementary school, one person shall be employed as a teacher in a pre-kindergarten classroom, and one person shall be a teacher who serves on a local professional development committee pursuant to section 3319.22 of the Revised Code. At least one person appointed under this division shall hold a teaching certificate or license issued by the national board for professional teaching standards. The Ohio education association shall submit a list of fourteen nominees for these appointments and the state board may appoint up to seven members to the educator standards board from that list. The Ohio federation of teachers shall submit a list of six nominees for these appointments and the state board may appoint up to three members to the educator standards board from that list. If there is an insufficient number of nominees from both lists to satisfy the membership requirements of this division, the state board shall request additional nominees who satisfy those requirements.
- (b) One person employed as a teacher in a chartered, nonpublic school. Stakeholder groups selected by the state board shall submit a list of two nominees for this appointment.
- (c) Five persons employed as school administrators in a school district. Of those five persons, one person shall be employed as a secondary school principal, one person shall be employed as a middle



school principal, one person shall be employed as an elementary school principal, one person shall be employed as a school district treasurer or business manager, and one person shall be employed as a school district superintendent. The buckeye association of school administrators shall submit a list of two nominees for the school district superintendent, the Ohio association of school business officials shall submit a list of two nominees for the school district treasurer or business manager, the Ohio association of elementary school administrators shall submit a list of two nominees for the elementary school principal, and the Ohio association of secondary school administrators shall submit a list of two nominees for the secondary school principal.

- (d) One person who is a member of a school district board of education. The Ohio school boards association shall submit a list of two nominees for this appointment.
- (e) One person who is a parent of a student currently enrolled in a school operated by a school district. The Ohio parent teacher association shall submit a list of two nominees for this appointment.
- (f) One person who represents community schools established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code.
- (2) The chancellor of higher education shall appoint three persons employed by institutions of higher education that offer educator preparation programs. One person shall be employed by an institution of higher education that has a certificate of authorization under Chapter 1713. of the Revised Code; one person shall be employed by a state university, as defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code, or a university branch; and one person shall be employed by a state community college, community college, or technical college. Of the two persons appointed from an institution of higher education that has a certificate of authorization under Chapter 1713. of the Revised Code and from a state university or university branch:
- (a) One shall be a representative of the Ohio association of private colleges for teacher education, or its successor organization.
- (b) One shall be a representative of the state university education deans of Ohio, or its successor



organization.

The chancellor shall appoint a representative from each of the organizations specified in divisions (A)(2)(a) and (b) of this section not later than sixty days after the effective date of this amendment. Each representative shall serve a two-year term beginning July 1, 2023.

- (3) The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint two persons who are active in or retired from the education profession.
- (4) The president of the senate shall appoint two persons who are active in or retired from the education profession.
- (5) The superintendent of public instruction or a designee of the superintendent, the chancellor of higher education or a designee of the chancellor, and the chairpersons and the ranking minority members of the education committees of the senate and house of representatives shall serve as nonvoting, ex officio members.
- (B) Terms of office shall be for two years. Each member shall hold office from the date of the member's appointment until the end of the term for which the member was appointed. At the first meeting, appointed members shall select a chairperson and a vice-chairperson. Vacancies on the board shall be filled in the same manner as prescribed for appointments under division (A) of this section. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which the member's predecessor was appointed shall hold office for the remainder of such term. Any member shall continue in office subsequent to the expiration date of the member's term until the member's successor takes office, or until a period of sixty days has elapsed, whichever occurs first. The terms of office of members are renewable.
- (C) Members shall receive no compensation for their services.
- (D) The board shall establish guidelines for its operation. These guidelines shall permit the creation of standing subcommittees when necessary. The board shall determine the membership of any subcommittee it creates. The board may select persons who are not members of the board to participate in the deliberations of any subcommittee as representatives of stakeholder groups, but no



such person shall vote on any issue before the subcommittee.