

**BOARD MEMBER RESIDENCY**

**POLICY:**

A school director must remain a resident of the school district to be eligible to continue to serve as a school board member. If a director's residence changes to a place outside the district, the director must resign and his/her eligibility to serve ends with the change of residence.

If a director is required to live within a specific director area of the district in order to be elected or appointed to the school board, and the director's residence changes to a place outside the director area but within the district, the director may continue to serve on the school board until the next regular school district election (the fall of odd numbered years), at which time an election will be held to fill the board position for the director area the director no longer resides in. If the change of residence occurs after the filing period for the regular school district election but before the election, and the director is in the first two years of his/her term, he/she may continue to serve from a residence outside the director area but within the district until the end of the term he/she was elected. If a director's director area boundaries are redrawn during his/her term of office, the director may serve out the term he/she was elected.

Cross References:

Policy No. 1150: Director District Boundaries

Policy No. 1109: Elections

Policy No. 1114: Board Member Resignation

Policy No. 1115: Vacancies

Legal References:

RCW 28A.343.340 Directors-When elected-eligibility

RCW 29.01.140 Residence

RCW 29.70.100 Redistricting by counties, municipal corporations, and special purpose districts

RCW 42.12.010 Causes of Vacancy

Ch. 194, Laws of 1999 AG0 1975 No. 8 Vacancy upon voluntary change of residence out of director district  
(note 1999 modification by RCW 28A.343.340)