

Hamilton County Board of Education

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The legal status of board members shall be as follows: ¹

NUMBER

The Board is composed of nine (9) members.

QUALIFICATIONS

Members of the Board shall be residents of and elected on a non-partisan basis from districts of substantially equal population,¹ and shall be citizens of recognized integrity, intelligence, and ability to administer the duties of the office.² To qualify as a candidate, an individual must show proof of graduation from high school or receipt of a G.E.D. No member of the local legislative body nor any other local governmental official shall be eligible for election as a member of the Board of Education. ³

One NON-VOTING student member may be appointed annually.

TERMS OF OFFICE

Members of the Board shall serve four (4) year terms. ¹

VACANCIES

Vacancies shall be declared to exist on account of death, resignation, removal from the district which elected him, removal from the school system, ⁵ or through due process proceedings. ⁴

When a vacancy occurs, the unexpired term shall be filled at the next regular or special meeting of the local legislative body.⁵ Such appointment shall continue until the next regular election.⁶ The individual appointed shall reside in the same district as the individual causing the vacancy.

OATH OF OFFICE

All members of the Board shall take an oath to faithfully discharge the duties of the office. ⁷

COMPENSATION

The compensation for board members shall be one-half (1/2) of the amount received by their counterpart or the Hamilton County Commission.

Legal References:

1. TCA 49-2-201
2. TCA 49-2-202(a)(1)
3. TCA 49-2-202(a)(2)
4. TCA 8-47-101; TCA 49-1-611
5. TCA 49-2-202(e); TCA 8-48-101(3)
6. Tennessee Constitution, Article VII, Section 2
7. TCA 49-2-202(b)