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**ESTABLISH GUIDELINES FOR MILITARY ACADEMY BOARDS OF GOVERNORS**

**The Chief Executive Officer Recommends:**

The Chief Executive Officer recommends that the Board adopt the attached

Pursuant to section 24-2.4b of the Illinois School Code, the Board may designate

**FINANCIAL:** No additional cost to the Chicago Public Schools

**PERSONNEL  
IMPLICATIONS:** None.

**Approved for Consideration:**

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Chief Education Officer

**Respectfully Submitted:**

*Arne Duncan (A.D.)*

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# CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS GUIDELINES FOR MILITARY ACADEMY BOARDS OF GOVERNORS

## Introduction

Academies are unique attendance centers that serve special student populations. These schools embrace an extensive college preparatory curriculum that includes leadership training, character development and service learning through participation in the Junior Reserve Officers Training

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**Teacher Eligibility**

NOTE: The term "teacher" does not refer to an assistant principal. Assistant principals are ineligible to serve on the Board of Governors.

Each Teacher Candidate

- Must be employed and assigned as a teacher or in a position for which teacher qualifications are required.
- Must be employed to perform the majority of his/her employment duties at the school where he/she is a teacher candidate.

**JROTC Instructor Eligibility**

A JROTC instructor is a retired military officer or non-commissioned officer who is certified by one

of the U.S. armed services as qualified to teach and train cadets participating in the JROTC

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Each Corporation or Service Agency:

~~Must be registered as a for-profit or not-for-profit entity with the Illinois Secretary of State.~~

and its local community.

Each Community-Based Organization:

- Must be registered as a not-for-profit entity with the Illinois Secretary of State.
- Must have offices located in the school community.
- ~~Must show a strong interest in supporting the student population.~~

**Student Appointment**

The Board shall appoint the Cadet Battalion Commander, or if the Battalion Commander

shall not meet the eligibility criteria, the next highest ranking cadet

**Advocate Appointments**

The academy superintendent shall submit a list of Advocate Candidates to the CEO's designee. The designee shall then submit to the Chief Executive Officer: (1) the Board of Governors list of candidates submitted by the school; Board of Governors; (2) a list of any

Criminal Convictions:

Members may be removed by the Board of Education for any criminal convictions or

failure to disclose any criminal convictions listed in the Local School Council Criminal Conviction Disclosure Form. The obligation to disclose any criminal conviction is ongoing throughout the member's term.

Unbecoming Conduct:

The Board of Education shall have the authority to suspend or remove a member for

unbecoming conduct. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- 2.) Recommends to the CEO the renewal or non-renewal of the academy superintendent contract by no later than February 1 of the year in which the

contract expires. If the contract in question does not expire on June 30, then the academy superintendent must be informed at least 150 days before the contract's expiration as to whether the Board of Governors will recommend that

the contract be renewed. Renewal will be solely at the discretion of the CEO.

- 3.) Evaluate the academy superintendent using the Board approved principal



- To the extent possible, if asked, provide a sign language interpreter at Board of Governors meetings for people who are hearing impaired.

- Advise the academy superintendent regarding the granting of school facilities such as assembly halls and classrooms for social and educational activities.

**Manner of Operation**

1. No action by the Board of Governors is valid unless made by a vote of a majority of the serving membership, a quorum of the full membership being present, except a transfer of allocations within funds that requires a supermajority. A quorum of the full membership is

50% plus one. A supermajority is 50% plus two.

2. The academy superintendent and the Cadet Battalion Commander may not vote, nor be counted toward a quorum on the following issues: academy superintendent selection; renewing the academy superintendent's contract; evaluating the academy superintendent; and approving additional criteria to the academy superintendent's contract.

3. The Board of Governors may adopt rules, bylaws and policies necessary to conduct its