

BOARD TRAINING REQUIREMENTS UNDER KRS 160.180 AND 702 KAR 1:115

The minimum number of training hours that a board member must earn each year is defined in KRS 160.180(5) and is based on the length of their board experience. The statute also grants authority to the Kentucky Board of Education to identify the criteria for fulfilling this requirement. A synopsis of 702 KAR 1:115, the accompanying regulation to this statute, is as follows:

Annual Minimum Hours

For Board Members in office as of December 31, 2014

- Twelve (12) hours for school board members with zero to three (3) years of experience
- Eight (8) hours for school board members with four (4) to seven (7) years of experience, and
- Four (4) hours for school board members with eight (8) or more years of experience.

For Board Members beginning service on or after January 1, 2015

- Twelve (12) hours for school board members with zero to seven (7) years of experience, and
- Eight (8) hours for school board members with eight (8) or more years of experience.

Mandated Topics

- For board members with 0 – 3 years of experience, annual training must include
 - Three (3) hours of school finance
 - One (1) hour of ethics and
 - One (1) hour of superintendent evaluation training each year.

- For board members with 4 - 7 years of experience, annual training must include
 - Two (2) hours of school finance
 - One (1) hour of ethics training and
 - One (1) hour of superintendent evaluation training each year.

- For board members with 8 or more years of experience, annual training must include
 - One (1) hour of school finance training each year
 - One (1) hour of ethics training each year and
 - One (1) hour of superintendent evaluation training biennially.