

# Lawrence County Board of Education

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1 The legal status of board members shall be as follows:<sup>1</sup>

## 2 3 **NUMBER**

4 There will be one board member from each of the nine districts of Lawrence County.<sup>1</sup> (The district's  
5 reapportionment in 2001-2003 resulted in a 10 member board for a period of two years.)

## 6 7 **QUALIFICATIONS**

- 8 1. Members shall be residents of the district from which they are elected and shall be voters of  
9 Lawrence County.<sup>2</sup>
- 10 2. Members shall not be a county commissioner nor any other county official.<sup>3</sup>
- 11 3. Members shall have graduated from high school or received a General Equivalency Diploma  
12 (GED).
- 13 4. All board members shall be properly trained (established by the state board of education) dur-  
14 ing their service on the board of education. This shall include an annual session for all board  
15 members.
- 16 5. All board members shall take an oath to discharge faithfully the duties of the office.

## 17 18 **TERMS OF OFFICE**

19 Members of the Board of Education shall serve for a period of four (4) years and may succeed them-  
20 selves. Staggered elections will be held as follows: 1, 4, 5, 7 and 8; 2, 3, 6 and 9.

## 21 22 **METHOD OF ELECTION**

23 Members of the Board of Education shall be elected via General Election within his/her district of  
24 residence.<sup>1</sup>

## 25 26 **VACANCIES**

27 Incurred vacancies shall be by appointment of the county's legislative body.<sup>4</sup> The appointee shall serve  
28 as a member of the Board of Education for the duration of the unexpired term. Continued membership  
29 shall be by General Election.<sup>5</sup>

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31 If any member of the board ceases to reside in the county, the office of such member shall become  
32 vacant.

## 33 34 **Legal References:**

- 35 1. TCA 49-2-201
  - 36 2. TCA 49-2-202(a)(1)
  - 37 3. TCA 49-2-202(a)(2)
  - 38 4. TCA 49-2-202(e); TCA 8-48-101(3)
  - 39 5. Tennessee Constitution, Article VII, Section 2
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