

Annual Required Hours

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<u>Level</u>	<u>Required Continuing Education</u>	<u>New Board Member (First Year)</u>	<u>Veteran Board Member</u>	<u>Eligible Provider(s)</u>
Level 1	Local District Orientation (LDO)	Three hours within the first 120 days in office	N/A	Local District
	Orientation to the Texas Education Code (OTEC)	Three hours within the first 120 days in office	N/A	Education Service Centers
	Update to the Texas Education Code (UTEC)	N/A – (optional- for Level 3 credit)	Following each legislative session	Registered Providers
Level 2	Team-building (Team-of-Eight)	Three hours	Three hours every year	Registered Providers
Level 3	Additional Education based on Framework for School Board Development	Ten hours	Five hours every year	Registered Providers
Level 4	Evaluating and Improving Student Outcomes (SB 1566 / HB 3)	Three hours within the first 120 days in office	Three hours <u>every two years</u> ***	Authorized Providers LSG Coaches
TBD	Sexual Abuse, Human Trafficking, and Other Maltreatment of Children (HB 403 -86 th)	One hour within the first 120 days in office	One hour <u>every two years</u> ***	Registered Providers
Govt Code	Open Meetings Act (OMA)	One hour within the first 90 days in office	N/A	Attorney General of Texas
Govt Code	Public Information Act (PIA)	One hour within the first 90 days in office – See Board Policy BBD [Local]	N/A	Attorney General of Texas
Govt Code	Cybersecurity (HB 3834 -86 th)	Varies by provider	One hour every year	Department of Information Resources
	State Plan for Gifted/ Talented Education	See local district policy for training requirements		Local District
**New	Security Training	Two hours withing the first 120 days	Every two Years	TEA

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TEA Chart

Required Continuing Education	First Year in Office	Subsequent Years in Office	Eligible Provider(s)
Local District Orientation	Three hours within the first 120 days in office	N/A	Local District
Orientation to the Texas Education Code	Three hours within the first 120 days in office	N/A	Education Service Centers
Update to the Texas Education Code	Following each legislative session and of sufficient length to address major changes		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registered Providers • Authorized Providers • LSG Coaches
Team-building (Team-of-eight)	Three hours	Three hours every year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registered Providers • Authorized Providers • LSG Coaches
Additional Education based on Framework for School Board Development	Ten hours	Five hours every year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registered Providers • Authorized Providers • LSG Coaches
Evaluating and Improving Student Outcomes	Three hours within the first 120 days in office	Three hours every two years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorized Providers • LSG Coaches
Sexual Abuse, Human Trafficking, and Other Maltreatment of Children	One hour within the first 120 days in office	One hour every two years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registered Providers • Authorized Providers • LSG Coaches
Open Meetings Act (OMA)	One hour within the first 90 days in office	N/A	Attorney General of Texas
Public Information Act (PIA)	One hour within the first 90 days in office	N/A	Attorney General of Texas
Cybersecurity	Varies by provider	Every year	Department of Information Resources
School Safety	Two hours within the first 120 days in office	Every two years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TEA Learn • Technical Support