



CHAPTER 1	SECTION NO.
Board of Trustees	1.01
<b>REFERENCE</b>	<i>Adopted: March 10, 2026</i>
1.01.00 Qualification of Board Members	<i>Reviewed: March 10, 2026</i>
	<i>Revised:</i>

In accordance with 110 ILCS 805/3-7(c) each voting Trustee shall, on the date of their election, be a citizen of the United States, 18 years of age or older, and a resident of the state of Illinois and District 523 for at least one (1) year immediately preceding their election.

In accordance with 110 ILCS 805/3-7(c) a person who is a member of a common school board, upon election as a Trustee, will upon the expiration of the common school board term, not be eligible for election or appointment to a common school board during the term of office with the community college district board of trustees. *(moved from 1.01.01)*

In accordance with the *Illinois Public Community College Act* (110 ILCS 805/3-7.12) each elected and appointed member of the Board of Trustees shall, before entering upon the duties of the office, take and subscribe to an oath of office. The oath or affirmation shall be administered by the secretary of the Board, a notary public, or any other officer authorized to administer oaths under State law. The completed oath shall be filed with the secretary of the Board and made part of the official records of the College. No trustee may exercise the powers or perform the duties of office until the oath has been taken and properly filed.

As set forth in the *Illinois Public Community College Act* (110 ILCS 805/3-8.5 et seq) every voting Trustee shall complete a minimum of 4 hours of professional development leadership training covering topics that shall include, but are not limited to, open meetings law, community college and labor law, freedom of information law, contract law, ethics, sexual violence on campus, financial oversight and accountability, audits, and fiduciary responsibilities of the Trustee during the first, third, and fifth year of his/her/their term. The College shall maintain on its website, the names of all voting Trustees who have successfully completed the training and the names of all voting Trustees who have not successfully completed the training. The voting Trustees shall certify completion of the training required under this Policy and applicable law to the secretary of the Board.

In accordance with the *Illinois Governmental Ethics Act* Board of Trustee members are required to file a Statement of Economic Interests.

Board members may not be employees of the College or have financial interest in College business. *(Reference: 110 ILCS 805/3-48 and Board Policy 1.09 Conflict of Interest).*