

TENNESSEE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

CHARTER SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY TRAINING

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I. Purpose

T.C.A § 49-13-111(q) requires the governing body of a charter school to conduct an annual board training. The training course(s) shall be certified by the Tennessee Charter School Center (TCSC) and approved by the State Board.

State Board rule 0520-14-01-.07 contains the information required to be collected by the TCSC for use in reviewing courses for certification and subsequent recommendation for approval to the State Board. Additionally, the rule contains the required number of annual training hours for new and experienced governing body members and the timeline for completing the annual training. Governing body members may establish compliance with the required training hours through one course meeting the minimum credit hours or multiple courses meeting the minimum training hours. Completed training courses are valid for only one (1) year. The TCSC shall inform the respective charter school authorizers of each governing body's completion of the training requirements. Charter school authorizers shall be responsible for monitoring compliance for their authorized charter schools.

This policy lists the training courses that are certified by the TCSC, approved by the State Board, and available for use by charter school governing bodies to meet the training requirements under T.C.A. § 49-13-111(q) and State Board rule 0520-14-01-.07.

II. Approved Charter School Governing Body Training Courses

The following training courses are certified by the TCSC and approved by the State Board for new and experienced governing body members. These courses meet the training course requirements of State Board rule 0520-14-01-.07 and count toward the required training hours for governing body members.

New governing body members shall complete a minimum of two (2) credit hours of training courses from Table 1 and a minimum of four (4) credit hours of training courses from Table 2.

Experienced governing body members shall complete a minimum of four (4) credit hours of training courses from Table 2.

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Table 1. Trainings Approved for New Governing Body Members

| Course | Training Entity | Length of Course |
|--|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Charter Board Fundamentals | BoardOnTrack | 1.0 hour |
| Make Your Meetings Matter | BoardOnTrack | 1.0 hour |
| KIPP Nashville: New Board Member Training | KIPP Nashville Board of Directors | 2.0 hours |
| Rocketship Public Schools: New Board Member Training | Rocketship Public Schools | 2.0 hours |

Table 2. Trainings Approved for New Governing Body Members and Experienced Governing Body Members

| Course | Training Entity | Length of Course |
|---|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Strategically Recruiting Your Sustainable Governance Team | BoardOnTrack | 1.0 hour |
| Developing and Supporting Your Board – CEO Partnership | BoardOnTrack | 1.0 hour |
| Structuring Your Board for Success | BoardOnTrack | 1.0 hour |
| Make Your Meetings Matter | BoardOnTrack | 1.0 hour |
| Governing for Growth | BoardOnTrack | 1.0 hour |
| LEAN Six Sigma Principles | The Henson Consortium | 8.0 hours |
| KIPP Nashville: Annual Board Member Training | KIPP Foundation | 6.0 hours |
| Rocketship Public Schools: Board Governance Training | Rocketship Public Schools | 2.0 hours |
| Rocketship Public Schools: School Metrics Training | Rocketship Public Schools | 2.0 hours |