



IASB Update for AEA Superintendent Meetings December 2021

NOTE: The IASB website and membership portal is currently down due to circumstances outside of our control. During this outage, which is indefinite, members will not have access to the IASB website or portal. If you have questions or need access to resources and tools normally found on our website, please email IASB@ia-sb.org and we will direct you to the appropriate staff member to assist with your request.

Timely Tools & Resources

NEW BOARD MEMBER ACADEMY SERIES—*READY, SET, GOVERN!* WORKSHOPS

REGISTER NOW! Being a new school board member can be confusing—IASB has developed the **New Board Member Academy Series**, which includes the upcoming *Ready, Set, Govern!* digital workshops designed to get your new board members up-to-speed on critical topics.

The [digital workshop on January 27](#) from 6–7:30 p.m. covers two critical topics—budgeting and personnel matters. The [digital workshop on February 10](#) at 6–7:30 p.m. delves into high and equitable student learning and effective superintendent evaluation. Each digital workshop is available for \$45 for IASB members.

IOWA CODE 80.45A—IOWA'S NEW TRAINING LAW FOR LODGING PROVIDERS

[Iowa Code 80.45A](#) creates a new training requirement for Iowa lodging providers who host public employees or publicly funded events and conferences. Beginning January 1, 2022, affected lodging providers must have all employees successfully complete certified human trafficking prevention training in order to receive public funds as payment for services. IASB recommends members confirm lodging providers have met this requirement before booking accommodations. For more information, visit the [Iowa Office to Combat Human Trafficking website](#).

Specific Supports for Superintendents

UPCOMING ISFLC CONFERENCES

Registration is underway for ISFLC's Conferences on December 8–9, 2021 and February 16–17, 2022. These meet the varied fiscal management and leadership needs of Iowa superintendents, aspiring superintendents, and business managers. A **special group rate** is available for each conference: \$300

per person for a 2-or-more-person teams Conference fee includes training materials, continental breakfast and lunch each day.

Trent Grundmeyer from Drake University will share his most recent white paper, which examines personal traits of successful superintendents over the past five years, along with effective strategies for current and new superintendents to ensure smooth successful superintendent transitions.

Superintendents and school business officials—email IASB at registration@ia-sb.org to register for either of the ISFLC Conferences.

Upcoming Advocacy Opportunity—IASB's Day on the Hill

Join IASB and school board members from across the state on February 1, 2022 for a day of active advocacy. After the 2021 virtual lobby days, it's more important than ever to be in person, in front of your legislators under the golden dome, as a unified voice for public education.

Day on the Hill participants will spend the morning learning about issues, brushing up on advocacy skills, and preparing to deliver a consistent message about the 2022 legislative priorities.

Advocacy experience is not required. Are you a novice advocate? New to the board and not sure you're ready to lobby? We've got you covered. Our government relations team leads a thorough preparation and training during the morning program. Then, armed with key talking points and handouts, you'll head to the Capitol—and you won't be alone! Experienced advocates, district leaders, and IASB staff will be by your side to share strategies and answer questions throughout the day.

Email Michelle Johnson at mjohnson@ia-sb.org or call (515) 247-7055 for more information.

Congratulations, 2020–21 Better Boardsmanship Award Recipients!

Join us in recognizing the recipients of the 2020–21 Better Boardsmanship Awards. This year, 73 board members earned the Individual Achievement Award, seven superintendents and one AEA chief administrator earned the Award of Honor, and seven board teams earned the Team Achievement Award. Check out our [Flickr album](#) to view photos of this year's winners. (Note: not all recipients were available/present for award photos.)

Upcoming Events

Dec. 8–9, 2021: ISFLC December Conference

Jan. 27, 2022: [New Board Member Academy Workshop Series—Finance & HR Digital Workshop](#)

Feb. 1, 2022: IASB's Day on the Hill

Feb. 10, 2022: [New Board Member Academy Workshop Series—Student Learning & Superintendent Evaluation Digital Workshop](#)

Feb. 16–17, 2022: ISFLC February Conference