

Policy 202.04: Vacancies

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A vacancy occurs when a board member resigns, forfeits or otherwise leaves the office. A vacancy also includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- When a board member dies, resigns or leaves office
- failure to reside in the school district or director district; or

If a vacancy occurs prior to the expiration of a term of office, the vacancy will be filled by board appointment within 30 days of the vacancy. The board shall publish notice stating that the board intends to fill the vacancy by appointment, but the electors of the school district have the right to file a petition within 14 days of the publication of the notice requiring the vacancy be filled by a special election.

The newly-appointed board member will hold the position until the next scheduled school election, unless there is an intervening special election for the school district, in which event a successor shall be elected at the intervening special election.

If the board is unable to fill a vacancy by appointment within 30 days after the vacancy occurs, the board secretary will call a special election to be held no sooner than 60 days and not later than 70 days after the vacancy occurred. A board member elected at the special election will serve the remaining portion of the unexpired term.

I.C. Iowa Code

Iowa Code § 277.29

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[School Elections - Vacancies](#)

Iowa Code § 279

[Directors - Powers and Duties](#)

Iowa Code § 69

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