



# Seeking nominations for Delegates for the 2019-2020 MSBA Delegate Assembly

The next MSBA Delegate Assembly election process for school board members — for two-year terms covering 2019 and 2020 — will get underway in August. The Delegate Assembly is responsible for adopting MSBA’s legislative positions in what is recognized as one of the most grass-roots approaches of any interest group represented at the state Capitol.



Elected school board “Delegates” meet each December to vote on various legislative resolutions submitted by school boards and individual school board members. The resolutions that receive a majority vote at the Delegate Assembly become the basis for MSBA’s legislative platform and lobbying efforts on behalf of all Minnesota’s public school boards.

## Nominations

MSBA is seeking nominations from current school board members and superintendents. All school board members and superintendents will be sent an email in August which will give them the opportunity to submit nominations for the Delegate Assembly.

**School board members and superintendents will have until Friday, August 30, to submit nominations for board members.**

- School board members may submit self-nominations.
- If a school board member or superintendent is nominating a board colleague, the nominated school board member should give their consent ahead of time.

## Elections

After the nomination process is complete, run-off elections may be necessary if there are more nominees than slots available for Delegates in a given MSBA Area. If a run-off election is necessary in an MSBA Area, the election will be conducted by an electronic ballot email sent out on September 6. Each individual school board member will be entitled to one ballot. The electronic ballot must be completed by September 30. The candidates with the highest number of votes will be declared elected delegates and will serve a two-year term. After the Delegates have been elected for an MSBA Area, the next two candidates receiving the highest number of votes will be Alternate Delegates. Upon completion of the final ballot count, MSBA will publish the list of elected Delegates and Alternates.

## Alternates

In case a Delegate is unable to complete the term, the first Alternate Delegate will be asked to complete the term.

**Please see next page for an election timeline and key dates for Delegates.**

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## Election and Service Timeline

### Nominations

#### Tuesday, August 6

MSBA opens nomination process to school board members and superintendents.



#### Friday, August 30

**Deadline** for school board members and superintendents to submit nominations for school board member Delegates through an online form.

### Elections (only if necessary)

#### REVISED DATE! Friday, September 13

If run-off elections are necessary, MSBA emails electronic ballots to members.

#### Monday, September 30

**Deadline** for school board members to cast their electronic vote in run-off elections.



#### Friday, October 4

MSBA tallies ballots and notifies board members who the elected Delegates and Alternate Delegates will be for their MSBA Area.

### Dates for Delegates

#### November 13, November 14, and November 16

**Pre-Delegate Assembly meetings** (various locations) and/or webinar (November 19)

#### December 6 (evening) and December 7 (morning)

**Delegate Assembly meeting** (DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Minneapolis - Park Place)

