
Note: The district may continue to operate under former Education Code Chapter 22, as that chapter existed on May 1, 1995, and under state law generally applicable to school districts that does not conflict with that chapter. The Election Code supersedes a conflicting statute outside the Election Code unless the Election Code or the outside statute expressly provides otherwise. *Election Code 1.002(b); Education Code 11.301(a)*

If the district is subject to a court order or other binding legal determination, the district shall conduct its elections in accordance with that court order or determination, applicable law, and this policy. To the extent of any conflict, the court order or other legal determination shall prevail. [See BBB(LOCAL)]

**Membership and
Terms**

Common

A common school district is under the immediate control and management of a board of three trustees. At each annual election, one trustee shall be elected who shall serve for three years or until a successor is elected and has qualified.

Common
Consolidated

A common consolidated school district is under the immediate control and management of a board of seven trustees. At each annual election, three or two trustees shall be elected for a term of three years.

Former Education Code 22.02-.04, as continued in effect by Education Code 11.301(a)

Note: For website posting requirements regarding trustee information, see CQA.

**Uniform Election
Dates**

An election shall be held on a uniform election date. *Former Education Code 22.02(l), as continued in effect by Education Code 11.301(a)*

Each general or special election shall be on one of the following dates:

1. The first Saturday in May.
2. The first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.

Election Code 41.001(a)

Joint Elections

A district trustee election shall be held on the same date as:

1. The election for the members of the governing body of a municipality located in the district;

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2. The general election for state and county officers;
3. The election for the members of the governing body of a hospital district, if the school district:
 - a. Is wholly or partly located in a county with a population of less than 50,000 that is adjacent to a county with a population of more than three million; and
 - b. Held its election for board members jointly with the election for the members of the governing body of the hospital district before May 2007; or
4. The election for the members of the governing board of a public junior college district in which the school district is wholly or partly located.

Elections held on the same date as provided above shall be held as a joint election under Election Code Chapter 271, and the voters shall be served by common polling places consistent with Election Code 271.003(b).

Education Code 11.0581(a)-(c)

A board may enter into an agreement with another political subdivision holding an election on the same day in all or part of the same county to hold the elections jointly. The terms of a joint election agreement must be stated in an order, resolution, or other official action adopted by the board. *Election Code 271.002*

**Boundary Change
Notice**

A district that changes its boundaries shall not later than the 30th day after the date the change is adopted:

1. Notify the voter registrar of the county in which the area subject to the boundary change is located of the adopted boundary change; and
2. Provide the voter registrar with a map of an adopted boundary change in a format that is compatible with the mapping format used by the registrar's office.

Election Code 42.0615

**Methods of Voting —
Options**

Plurality

Cumulative

To be elected to a public office, a candidate must receive more votes than any other candidate for the office, except as otherwise provided by law. *Election Code 2.001*

The board of a district that elects its trustees at large may order that elections for trustees be held using the cumulative voting procedure.

If a board adopts an order requiring the use of cumulative voting, only the board member positions that were scheduled to be filled at the election are filled through the use of cumulative voting.

At an election at which more than one board member position is to be filled, all of the positions that are to be filled at the election shall be voted on as one race by all the voters of a district. Each voter is entitled to cast a number of votes equal to the number of positions to be filled at the election.

A voter may cast one or more of the specified number of votes for any one or more candidates in any combination. Only whole votes may be cast and counted. If a voter casts more than the number of votes to which the voter is entitled in the election, none of the voter's votes may be counted in that election. If a voter casts fewer votes than entitled, all of the voter's votes are counted in that election.

The candidates who are elected are those, in the number to be elected, receiving the highest number of votes.

Education Code 11.054