

**Numbers of Members and Terms of Office**

The Board of Directors of the Richland School District shall consist of five members elected by ballot by the registered voters of the district.

Except as otherwise provided by law, members of the Board of Directors shall hold office for terms of four years and until their successors are elected and qualified. Terms of office shall be staggered as provided by law, and insofar as possible not more than a majority of one shall be elected to full terms at any regular election. In case a member or members of the Board of Directors are to be elected to fill an unexpired term, the ballot shall specify the term for which each such member is to be elected.

Newly elected directors shall take office immediately after taking the oath of office, which shall be administered at the beginning of the first regular meeting after the new directors are certified by the county auditor.

Legal Reference:	RCW	28A.150.230	Basic Education Act of 1977
		28A.315.035	Organization of school districts
		28A.343.300	Director – Elections – Terms – Numbers
		28A.343.360	Directors – Oath of Office
		29A.20.030	Local officers, beginning of terms – Organization of district board of directors
		29A.20.040	Local elected officials, commencement of term and office

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