

An Oath of Office is required to be administered to each School Board Trustee, whether elected, re-elected, or appointed. The Trustee is required to take his/her oath within ten (10) days after the Trustee has notice of his/her election or appointment, or within fifteen (15) days from the commencement of his/her terms of office. Before any School District trustee elected or appointed enters upon the duties of his/her office, he/she must take the following oath:

I do solemnly swear (or affirm, if re-elected) that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Idaho, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of Trustee of St. Maries Joint School District No. 41 according to the best of my ability.

The Oath is required to be administered by the Clerk of the Board or by a Trustee. Additionally, the records of the District are required to show that such Oath of Office has been taken and by whom the Oath was administered. Finally, this information is required to be filed with the official records of the District.

A School District Trustee holds office from July 1 in the year in which he/she is elected until July 1 in the year in which his/her term of office expires, unless: he/she dies; resigns as trustee; removes him/herself from the trustee zone of residence; refuses to serve as trustee; fails to attend four (4) consecutive regular meetings of the Board without an acceptable excuse to the Board of Trustees or is recalled and discharged from office.

If the School District Trustee is appointed, he/she holds office from the time he/she takes the Oath of Office until July 1 in the year in which the original term of office to which he/she was appointed expires, unless: he/she dies; resigns as Trustee; removes him/herself from their Trustee zone of residence; refuses to serve as Trustee; fails to attend four (4) consecutive regular meetings of the Board without an acceptable excuse to the Board of Trustees or is recalled and discharged from office.

Policy Cross Reference:

Board Policy 201.08 Board Vacancies

Legal Reference:

Idaho Code - §33-501 Board of Trustees
Idaho Code - §33-504 Vacancies on Board of Trustees
Idaho Code - §33-401 Loyalty Oath - Form
Idaho Code - §59-402 Time of Taking Oath

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