

Iowa State Board of Education

Executive Summary

September 12, 2025

Agenda Item: Board Ethics Training

State Board Priority: All priorities – professional learning regarding statutory obligations

State Board Role/Authority: The State Board is subject to statutes governing boards, commissions, and councils.

Presenter(s): Lindsey Browning
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General Counsel

Attachment(s): None

Recommendation: It is recommended that the State Board of Education hear and discuss this matter.

Background: This presentation will discuss the Board's statutory powers and duties, and how state and federal law acts as a constraint on those powers and duties, including statutes on open meetings, open records, and government ethics (conflict of interest, outside employment, etc.).