

NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTION LAW

Person

Method of Selecting Members

Members are elected on a nonpartisan plurality basis and take office at the same time as the general election for county officers. Candidates must file between noon on the first Monday in August preceding the election, and noon on the last Friday of August, unless general state law provides otherwise.
Session Laws – 1997, Ch. 87.

Number of Board Members

The board consists of five members. Session Laws – 1997, Ch. 87.

Length of Terms and Staggered Terms

The members' four-year terms are not staggered. Session Laws – 1997, Ch. 87.

Special Note

The 1997 changes were the result of a consent decree in a federal lawsuit, Webster v. Person County, Middle District of North Carolina, No. 1:91CV554. There is no expiration date on this consent decree, so any changes in the election method can not be made without taking the matter back to the federal court.