



# Criteria August 2025 - 2026

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NASB Board Member

Awards of Achievement Program

## Participation in Association Learning Experience

The Nebraska Association of School Boards serves our members by providing learning experiences to support growth and professional development. As a board member, accountability to student success requires the board to adopt effective school policy and possess a vast range of resources and knowledge in areas such as school law, curriculum, finance, labor relations, community relations, policy, fiscal accountability, advocacy, and proper board meeting procedures. Through conferences, area workshops, and local district retreats, NASB supports new and veteran board members in building their knowledge and effectiveness in board governance.

## Benefits of Participation in NASB Learning Experiences

- Board Development – provides extensive learning experiences to support the development of governance skills needed to oversee the education of students in the school district
- Board and Superintendent/Administrator Relations - supports the board's working relationship with Administration to facilitate quality education for all students
- Goal Planning - equips board members and administration to work together to set goals to support the vision/mission of the district
- Advocacy - assists board members in their advocacy role representing students in public education
- Conflict Resolution - provides board members with the necessary resources when facing critical issues that may take the focus away from student learning and achievement
- Policy – supports the boards responsibility to set, review, and revise district policy
- Fiscal Accountability - support the board's role in collective bargaining and fiscal accountability by educating board members on programs and services that provide cost saving benefits to the school district such as ALICAP, NJUMP/CJUMP, Data Analytics/Feasibility Study, Education Search Service, Gallup, NLAF, SPARQ Meetings, SPARQ Negotiations, Unemployment Insurance, Community Engagement and Strategic Planning

“Through leadership, innovation, vision and engagement, the Nebraska Association of School Boards provides programs, services, and advocacy to strengthen public education for all Nebraskans.”



## Board Award Schedule

AWARD LEVEL	Award Points	Award
LEVEL I	50 – 149	NASB Leather Notebook/ NASB Pen
LEVEL II	150 – 249	NASB T-Shirt
LEVEL III	250 – 349	NASB Tumbler
LEVEL IV	350 – 499	NASB Messenger Bag
LEVEL V	500 – 749	NASB Portfolio
LEVEL VI	750 – 999	NASB Polo
LEVEL VII	1,000 – 1,249	NASB Glass Paperweight
LEVEL VIII	1,250 – 1,499	NASB Rose Wood Plaque
LEVEL IX	1,500 – 1,999	NASB Glass Clock
LEVEL X	2,000 +	NASB Cut-Glass Award

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Awards of Achievement Qualifying Activities

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NASB Sponsored Learning Experience

Area Membership Meetings	15 points
Labor Relations Conference	15 points
Facilities & Construction Workshop	15 points
*not held annually	
State Education Pre-Conference	10 points
State Education Conference	15 points
Presenter at NASB Conference	10 points
Moderator at State Conference	5 points
New Board Member Workshops	15 points
Legislative Issues Pre-Conference	10 points
Legislative Issues Conference	15 points
Legal Workshop(s)	15 points
Budget / Finance Workshops	15 points
Presidents' Retreat	15 points
School Law Seminar	15 points

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## Board Leadership

### Board Leadership Programs and Services

NASB Board Retreat/Goal Planning	15 points
NASB Community Engagement	15 points
NASB Community Alignment	15 points
NASB Strategic Planning - Progress Analysis	10 points
NASB Online Board Self-Assessment Survey	10 points
NASB Online Superintendent Evaluation	10 points
NASB Online Custom Survey (e.g. Facilities, Parent, Mascot, etc.)	10 points
M.A.B.E. Steering Committee	5 pts/mtg

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## NASB Programs and Services

ALICAP	10 points
CJUMP	10 points
Data Analytics/Feasibility Study	15 points
District Comparative Data Study	5 points
Education Search Service	10 points
Gallup StrengthsFinder	15 points
NJUMP	10 points
NLAF	10 points
Policy Customization	10 points
Policy Update Service	10 points
Sparq Meetings	10 points
Sparq Negotiations	10 points
Unemployment Insurance	10 points

*\*Points awarded for all Programs Services contracted prior to May 15<sup>th</sup> of the current points year except NLAF which has an ending contract date of Feb. 28*

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## NASB Advocacy

Legislative Committee Member	5 pts/mtg
Legislative Advocacy Event	5 pts
Legislative Proposal	10 points
<i>Award points granted to board member (s) who propose a legislative change to the legislation committee and/or new legislation</i>	
Legislative Engagement	5 points
Legislative Testimony on behalf of NASB	5 pts/testimony
Delegate Assembly	15 points
Federal Advocacy Event	20 points

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## National Sponsored Learning Experience

National Conference Attendance	20 points
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## Miscellaneous

Board Retreat	15 points
TeamMates Mentor	10 points
NASB Board of Director	5 pts/mtg

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## NASB President's Board Award Criteria

- All board members must attain a minimum of Level I Award
- Board must have a voting delegate participate in the Annual NASB Delegate Assembly
- Each member of the board must attend a minimum of (3) three of the following Learning Opportunities during the current points year (Aug. 1 through July 31):
  - NASB /NASA State Education Conference
  - NASB/NASA Labor Relations Conference
  - NASB Area Membership Meeting
  - NASB Budget & Finance Workshop
  - NASB Legislative Issues Conference
  - NASB School Law Seminar
  - National Conference (one per individual board member will count toward the board award)
- Board Retreat and Board Goals: Qualifications require that the full board participate in a board goal planning retreat/work session during the Award Year (Aug. 1 through July 31). The goals must be specific to improved board governance. Credit toward the Board Award is dependent upon the board submitting copies of the following documentation: board retreat minutes reflecting attendance of participating board members, and the board goals created.
- The total points accumulated by the board must equal a minimum of 1,000.
- The total points earned during the current Board Development year (by the individuals serving on the board as of July 31), must equal a minimum of 350.
- The deadline for earning the President's Board Award will be July 31, 2026. To be considered for the award, all changes to individual points must be submitted through CRM to the NASB office before July 15, 2026.

*All boards who are recipients of a Board Award will be presented the award at their local Area Membership Meeting.*

### **2025 - 2026 Awards of Achievement Program Year**

August 1, 2025, through July 31, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. (Central Time)

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## NASB Board of Excellence Criteria

- Board members must attain a minimum of Level I Award
- Board must have a voting delegate participate in the Annual NASB Delegate Assembly
- Members of the board must each attend a **minimum of (2) two** of the following Learning Opportunities during the current points year (Aug. 1 through July 31):
  - NASB /NASA State Education Conference
  - NASB/NASA Labor Relations Conference
  - NASB Area Membership Meeting
  - NASB Budget & Finance Workshop
  - NASB Legislative Issues Conference
  - NASB School Law Seminar
  - National Conference (one per individual board member will count toward the board award)
- Board Retreat and Board Goals: Qualifications require that the board participates in a board goal planning retreat/work session during the Award Year (Aug. 1 through July 31). The goals must be specific to improved board governance. Credit toward the Board Award is dependent upon the board submitting copies of the following documentation: board retreat minutes reflecting attendance of participating board members, and the board goals created.
- The total points accumulated by the board must equal a minimum of 1,000.
- The total points earned during the current Board Development year (by the individuals serving on the board as of July 31), must equal a minimum of 350.
- The Board of Excellence award may be awarded to boards who meet the above criteria with the exclusion of one board member, i.e., 5 of 6 board members for a six-member board; 8 of 9 board members for a nine-member board, etc.
- The deadline for earning the NASB Board of Excellence Award will be July 31, 2026. To be considered for the award, all changes to individual points must be submitted through CRM to the NASB office before July 15, 2026.

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