

# SCHOOL BOARD ACADEMY / COURSE OUTLINE

## NIGHT ONE A FIRM FOUNDATION

On night one, we lay a firm foundation with philosophical, spiritual, and practical training on effective school board service. Amanda Banks, Vice President of Education at Family Policy Foundation opens with an introduction to the School Board Academy and an overview of statesmanship—what it means and how to apply statesman principles to school board service.

#### SESSION 1: Worldview Training

An overview of six major worldviews with in-depth training on biblical worldview and its application to public service. Taught by **Dr. Jeff Myers**, president of Summit Ministries.

## SESSION 2: Parliamentary Procedure

A mini-course on Robert's Rules of Order and fundamentals of parliamentary procedure applied to school board meetings. Taught by **Dr. Bill Gillmeister**, president of Call to Order.

### **SESSION 3:** Preparing for Success

A practical discussion with veteran school board members on jurisdiction of school boards, how to manage responsibilities and relationships, best practices for effective school board service, and more. Panelists include Ohio School Board Constitutional Coalition President **Jeremiah Sawyer**, Pennsylvania Rep. **Barbara Gleim;** Executive Director of School Boards for Academic Excellence, **David Hoyt** and Founder & Chair of the School Board Member Alliance, **Sherri Story**.

# NIGHT TWO CURRICULUM MATTERS

On our second night of training, we'll explore the critical—and often controversial—curriculum decisions faced by school boards. Participants will learn from national leaders on the topics of sociopolitical education, age-appropriate standards, sex education, parental rights, and more. Model policies and strategies for success will be offered in each session.

#### SESSION 4: Sociopolitical Education & CRT

Taught by **Jonathan Butcher**, Will Skillman Fellow in Education, Center for Education Policy, The Heritage Foundation

- SESSION 5: Age-Appropriate Standards in Curriculum & Library Materials Taught by Jeremy Samek, Senior Counsel, Pennsylvania Family Institute
- **SESSION 6:** Sex Education & Social Emotional Learning Taught by Lori Kuykendall, President, Beacon Health Education Resources
- SESSION 7: Curriculum Transparency & Parental Rights Taught by Jordan Carpenter, Legal Counsel, State Government Relations National Director, Alliance Defending Freedom



# NIGHT THREE ISSUE SPECIFIC

Night three of the School Board Academy will include a "deep dive" into the hot topics of sex and gender, religious liberty, and freedom of speech in public education. Legal experts will unpack each issue area and share model policies and resources for protecting children and affirming parental rights. We'll close with a look ahead to future training, additional resources, and networking available through the School Board Exchange for graduates of the Academy.

#### SESSION 8: Sex & Gender Issues

Taught by **Autumn Leva**, Senior Vice President, Strategy, Family Policy Alliance **Tyson Langhofer**, Senior Counsel, Director of Center for Academic Freedom, Alliance Defending Freedom

## SESSION 9: Religious Liberty & Freedom of Speech Taught by Erin Smith, Associate Counsel, First Liberty Institute

# SESSION 10: Model Policies & The School Board Exchange

Taught by **Cory Brewer**, Education Counsel, Wisconsin Institute for Law & Liberty and **Amanda Banks**, Vice President, Education, Family Policy Foundation

