



**COMPASS ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
BOARD MEMBER APPLICATION**

Compass Academy does not discriminate in the operation of its educational and leadership policies and will honor all appropriate laws relative to discrimination.

Date of Application: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

EDUCATION:

College/University Attended	Degree Awarded (if any)	Year(s) attended
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

CURRENT COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

Organization	Position	Dates of Involvement
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Current employer and position: _____

Are you related to a Compass Academy employee? _____

If yes, which employee? _____

Do you have children attending Compass Academy? _____



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Do you own (or have an interest) in a company with which Compass Academy does business? _____

If yes, what is the name of the business? _____

What makes you want to be part of the Compass Academy Board?

BACKGROUND:

Have you ever been asked to resign from a Board?

Yes _____ No _____

Have you ever been convicted of a crime (other than a minor traffic offense)?

Yes _____ No _____

Have you ever entered a plea of guilty or "no contest" to any crime (other than a minor traffic violation)?

Yes _____ No _____

Has any court ever deferred, filed or dismissed proceedings without a finding of guilt and required that you pay a fine, penalty or court costs and/or imposed a requirement as to your behavior or conduct for a period of time in connection with any crime (other than a minor traffic offense)?

Yes _____ No _____

If you have answered YES to any of the previous questions, provide full details on an additional sheet including, with respect to court actions, the date, offense in questions, and the address of the court involved. Conviction or other disposition of a crime is not necessarily an automatic bar to employment.

REFERENCES:

List three references who can comment on your ability and whom we may contact.

Name	Relationship	Telephone
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____



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Please review the attached list of Board requirements. This list is general and not necessarily all-inclusive. You will be contacted and asked to attend board meetings as a guest upon approval of your application. An interview will also be conducted. All Board members must pass a background check prior to approval. Please feel free to email Scott Wilson, Board President, with any question at: swilson@mycacs.org. Your completed application will also be emailed to Scott Wilson. Thank you for your interest in Compass Academy.

Applicant, please read carefully.

I hereby authorize Compass Academy to fully investigate my record and Board qualifications either before or after my acceptance as a member to the Board and to facilitate such investigation, I also hereby authorize any persons having knowledge thereof to give such information to Compass Academy. I certify that all statements made by me on this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature _____

Date _____



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Requirements of Compass Academy Board Members:

- Attend at least eight (8) Board Meetings per year
- Fiduciary Duties
- Duty of Obedience - requires directors to avoid committing acts that are beyond the scope of powers as defined by the charter or laws of the state
- Duty of Loyalty - requires that a director act in good faith and is prohibited from allowing his personal interests to prevail over the interests of the charter school
- Due Care - requires a director to handle his or her duties as a director with diligence and prudence and with such care as "an ordinary prudent man would use under similar circumstances"
- Final authority to hear or decide employee grievances, citizen complaints, or parental concerns
- Final authority to adopt or amend the budget
- Final authority to adopt policies
- Final authority to approve audit reports
- Initial or final authority to oversee Superintendent
- Training requirements (See below)

Governing Board of Directors

All new members of charter holder and/or charter school governing boards must complete a total of 12 hours of board training provided by a TEA registered trainer within their first year of service. Returning members who have completed the 12 hour training requirement within their first year of service need to complete only six hours of training in their second and subsequent years. The training is broken down into the following seven modules.

New Board Members

- Training module required breakdown (in minutes)
 - School Law - 150
 - School Finance - 60
 - Health and Safety - 30
 - Accountability (Public Funds) - 120
 - Accountability (Other) - 60
 - Open Meetings - 60
 - Public Records - 60
- Plus* - 180 Minutes of expanded or additional training in modules (1-7)
Total: 12 hours or 720 minutes

Returning Board Members

Returning Board Members who have operated charters that have all been rated "Acceptable" or higher for at least 2 of the last 3 most recent ratings may choose any 6 hours of training that is documented by a registered provider in fulfillment of its academic mission, responsibilities, and accountabilities under the law. Additionally such Members may elect to complete all six hours of training using self instructional materials provided by a registered provider. Returning Board Members who do not fit the above criteria must complete 6 hours of training only from any of the above modules (1-7) to be chosen and allocated based on self evaluation by the board chair or vice chair. Members may elect to complete no more than one hour of this training using self instructional materials.