

EXECUTIVE BRANCH AGENCIES

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STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

§256.3, 256.9(12)

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McKenzie Snow, Director, Department of Education, Executive Officer

<i>Name</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Term Ending</i>
John Robbins, President.....	Iowa Falls.....	April 30, 2026
Brooke Axiotis, Vice President.....	Des Moines .....	April 30, 2026
Cindy Dietz .....	Cedar Rapids.....	April 30, 2028
Cassandra Halls.....	Carlisle .....	April 30, 2028
Brian Kane .....	Dubuque .....	April 30, 2026
William (Mike) May .....	Spirit Lake.....	April 30, 2024
Mary Meisterling .....	Cedar Rapids.....	April 30, 2026
Nathan Peterson .....	Iowa City.....	April 30, 2024

The board consists of 10 members — nine voting members who are appointed by the Governor for six-year terms and subject to Senate confirmation and one nonvoting student member who serves a one-year term, also appointed by the Governor. Duties of the board include adopting and establishing policies assuring quality education for students in preschool, elementary, and secondary schools, and community colleges; prescribing and approving teacher preparation programs to assure all teachers are highly qualified; and hearing appeals of local school board decisions and affirming, modifying, or vacating those decisions.