

# SB2761



## 104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

SB2761

Introduced 1/13/2026, by Sen. Doris Turner

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/10-22.39

Amends the School Code. In provisions concerning in-service training programs for teachers, administrators, and school support personnel, provides that the training regarding health conditions of students shall include the proper handling of service animals in the school setting and the instruction on the federal Americans with Disabilities Act, as it pertains to the school environment, shall include the proper handling of service animals, the rights of students who use service animals, and appropriate interactions with service animals.

LRB104 16633 LNS 30036 b

STATE MANDATES  
ACT MAY REQUIRE  
REIMBURSEMENT

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section  
5 10-22.39 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/10-22.39)

7 Sec. 10-22.39. In-service training programs.

8 (a) To conduct in-service training programs for teachers,  
9 administrators, and school support personnel.

10 (b) In addition to other topics at in-service training  
11 programs listed in this Section, teachers, administrators, and  
12 school support personnel who work with pupils must be trained  
13 in the following topics: health conditions of students;  
14 social-emotional learning; developing cultural competency;  
15 identifying warning signs of mental illness and suicidal  
16 behavior in youth; domestic and sexual violence and the needs  
17 of expectant and parenting youth; protections and  
18 accommodations for students; educator ethics; responding to  
19 child sexual abuse and grooming behavior; and effective  
20 instruction in violence prevention and conflict resolution.  
21 In-service training programs in these topics shall be credited  
22 toward hours of professional development required for license  
23 renewal as outlined in subsection (e) of Section 21B-45.

1 School support personnel may be exempt from in-service  
2 training if the training is not relevant to the work they do.

3 Nurses and school nurses, as defined by Section 10-22.23,  
4 are exempt from training required in subsection (b-5).

5 Beginning July 1, 2024, all teachers, administrators, and  
6 school support personnel shall complete training as outlined  
7 in Section 10-22.39 during an in-service training program  
8 conducted by their school board or through other training  
9 opportunities, including, but not limited to, institutes under  
10 Section 3-11. Such training must be completed within 6 months  
11 of employment by a school board and renewed at least once every  
12 5 years, unless required more frequently by other State or  
13 federal law or in accordance with this Section. If teachers,  
14 administrators, or school support personnel obtain training  
15 outside of an in-service training program or from a previous  
16 public school district or nonpublic school employer, they may  
17 present documentation showing current compliance with this  
18 subsection to satisfy the requirement of receiving training  
19 within 6 months of first being employed. Training may be  
20 delivered through online, asynchronous means.

21 (b-5) Training regarding health conditions of students for  
22 staff required by this Section shall include, but is not  
23 limited to:

24 (1) (Blank).

25 (2) Anaphylactic reactions and management. Such  
26 training shall be conducted by persons with expertise in

1 anaphylactic reactions and management.

2 (3) The management of asthma, the prevention of asthma  
3 symptoms, and emergency response in the school setting.

4 (4) The basics of seizure recognition and first aid  
5 and appropriate emergency protocols. Such training must be  
6 fully consistent with the best practice guidelines issued  
7 by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

8 (5) The basics of diabetes care, how to identify when  
9 a student with diabetes needs immediate or emergency  
10 medical attention, and whom to contact in the case of an  
11 emergency.

12 (6) Current best practices regarding the  
13 identification and treatment of attention deficit  
14 hyperactivity disorder.

15 (7) Instruction on how to respond to an incident  
16 involving life-threatening bleeding and, if applicable,  
17 how to use a school's trauma kit. Beginning with the  
18 2024-2025 school year, training on life-threatening  
19 bleeding must be completed within 6 months of the employee  
20 first being employed by a school board and renewed within  
21 2 years. Beginning with the 2027-2028 school year, the  
22 training must be completed within 6 months of the employee  
23 first being employed by a school board and renewed at  
24 least once every 5 years thereafter. School district  
25 employees who are trained to respond to trauma pursuant to  
26 this subsection (b-5) shall be immune from civil liability

1 in the use of a trauma kit unless the action constitutes  
2 willful or wanton misconduct.

3 (8) The proper handling of service animals in the  
4 school setting, including the rights of students who use  
5 service animals, appropriate interactions with service  
6 animals, and procedures to ensure the health, safety, and  
7 accessibility needs of the student. Such training must be  
8 consistent with applicable federal and State laws  
9 governing service animals in the school setting.

10 In consultation with professional organizations with  
11 expertise in student health issues, including, but not limited  
12 to, asthma management, anaphylactic reactions, seizure  
13 recognition, and diabetes care, the State Board of Education  
14 shall make available resource materials for educating school  
15 personnel about student health conditions and emergency  
16 response in the school setting.

17 A school board may satisfy the life-threatening bleeding  
18 training under this subsection by using the training,  
19 including online training, available from the American College  
20 of Surgeons or any other similar organization.

21 (b-10) The training regarding social-emotional learning  
22 for staff required by this Section may include, at a minimum,  
23 providing education to all school personnel about the content  
24 of the Illinois Social and Emotional Learning Standards, how  
25 those standards apply to everyday school interactions, and  
26 examples of how social emotional learning can be integrated

1 into instructional practices across all grades and subjects.

2 (b-15) The training regarding developing cultural  
3 competency for staff required by this Section shall include,  
4 but is not limited to, understanding and reducing implicit  
5 bias, including implicit racial bias. As used in this  
6 subsection, "implicit racial bias" has the meaning set forth  
7 in Section 10-20.61.

8 (b-20) The training regarding identifying warning signs of  
9 mental illness, trauma, and suicidal behavior in youth for  
10 staff required by this Section shall include, but is not  
11 limited to, appropriate intervention and referral techniques,  
12 including resources and guidelines as outlined in Section  
13 2-3.166, and must include the definitions of trauma,  
14 trauma-responsive learning environments, and whole child set  
15 forth in subsection (b) of Section 3-11 of this Code.

16 Illinois Mental Health First Aid training, established  
17 under the Illinois Mental Health First Aid Training Act, may  
18 satisfy the requirements of this subsection.

19 If teachers, administrators, or school support personnel  
20 obtain mental health first aid training outside of an  
21 in-service training program, they may present a certificate of  
22 successful completion of the training to the school district  
23 to satisfy the requirements of this subsection. Training  
24 regarding the implementation of trauma-informed practices  
25 under subsection (b) of Section 3-11 satisfies the  
26 requirements of this subsection.

1 (b-25) As used in this subsection:

2 "Domestic violence" means abuse by a family or household  
3 member, as "abuse" and "family or household members" are  
4 defined in Section 103 of the Illinois Domestic Violence Act  
5 of 1986.

6 "Sexual violence" means sexual assault, abuse, or stalking  
7 of an adult or minor child proscribed in the Criminal Code of  
8 1961 or in Sections 11-1.20, 11-1.30, 11-1.40, 11-1.50,  
9 11-1.60, 12-7.3, 12-7.4, 12-7.5, 12-12, 12-13, 12-14, 12-14.1,  
10 12-15, and 12-16 of the Criminal Code of 2012, including  
11 sexual violence committed by perpetrators who are strangers to  
12 the victim and sexual violence committed by perpetrators who  
13 are known or related by blood or marriage to the victim.

14 The training regarding domestic and sexual violence and  
15 the needs of expectant and parenting youth for staff required  
16 by this Section must be conducted by persons with expertise in  
17 domestic and sexual violence and the needs of expectant and  
18 parenting youth, and shall include, but is not limited to:

19 (1) communicating with and listening to youth victims  
20 of domestic or sexual violence and expectant and parenting  
21 youth;

22 (2) connecting youth victims of domestic or sexual  
23 violence and expectant and parenting youth to appropriate  
24 in-school services and other agencies, programs, and  
25 services as needed;

26 (3) implementing the school district's policies,

1 procedures, and protocols with regard to such youth,  
2 including confidentiality; at a minimum, school personnel  
3 must be trained to understand, provide information and  
4 referrals, and address issues pertaining to youth who are  
5 parents, expectant parents, or victims of domestic or  
6 sexual violence; and

7 (4) procedures for responding to incidents of teen  
8 dating violence that take place at the school, on school  
9 grounds, at school-sponsored activities, or in vehicles  
10 used for school-provided transportation as outlined in  
11 Section 27-240 of this Code.

12 (b-30) The training regarding protections and  
13 accommodations for students shall include, but is not limited  
14 to, instruction on (i) the federal Americans with Disabilities  
15 Act, as it pertains to the school environment, including, but  
16 not limited to, the proper handling of service animals, the  
17 rights of students who use service animals, and appropriate  
18 interactions with service animals, and (ii) homelessness.  
19 Beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, training on  
20 homelessness must be completed within 6 months of an employee  
21 first being employed by a school board and renewed within 2  
22 years. Beginning with the 2027-2028 school year, the training  
23 must be completed within 6 months of the employee first being  
24 employed by a school board and renewed at least once every 5  
25 years thereafter. Training on homelessness shall include the  
26 following:

1 (1) the definition of homeless children and youths  
2 under 42 U.S.C. 11434a;

3 (2) the signs of homelessness and housing insecurity;

4 (3) the rights of students experiencing homelessness  
5 under State and federal law;

6 (4) the steps to take when a homeless or  
7 housing-insecure student is identified; and

8 (5) the appropriate referral techniques, including the  
9 name and contact number of the school or school district  
10 homeless liaison.

11 School boards may work with a community-based organization  
12 that specializes in working with homeless children and youth  
13 to develop and provide the training.

14 (b-35) The training regarding educator ethics and  
15 responding to child sexual abuse and grooming behavior shall  
16 include, but is not limited to, teacher-student conduct,  
17 school employee-student conduct, and evidence-informed  
18 training on preventing, recognizing, reporting, and responding  
19 to child sexual abuse and grooming as outlined in Section  
20 10-23.13.

21 (b-40) The training regarding effective instruction in  
22 violence prevention and conflict resolution required by this  
23 Section shall be conducted in accordance with the requirements  
24 of Section 27-115 of this Code.

25 (b-45) Beginning July 1, 2024, all nonpublic elementary  
26 and secondary school teachers, administrators, and school

1 support personnel shall complete the training set forth in  
2 subsection (b-5). Training must be completed within 6 months  
3 of first being employed by a nonpublic school and renewed at  
4 least once every 5 years, unless required more frequently by  
5 other State or federal law. If nonpublic teachers,  
6 administrators, or school support personnel obtain training  
7 from a public school district or nonpublic school employer,  
8 the teacher, administrator, or school support personnel may  
9 present documentation to the nonpublic school showing current  
10 compliance with this subsection to satisfy the requirement of  
11 receiving training within 6 months of first being employed.

12 (c) (Blank).

13 (d) (Blank).

14 (e) (Blank).

15 (f) (Blank).

16 (g) (Blank).

17 (h) At least once every 2 years, a school board shall  
18 conduct in-service training on homelessness for all school  
19 personnel. The training shall include:

20 (1) the definition of homeless children and youth  
21 under Section 11434a of Title 42 of the United States  
22 Code;

23 (2) the signs of homelessness and housing insecurity;

24 (3) the rights of students experiencing homelessness  
25 under State and federal law;

26 (4) the steps to take when a homeless or

1 housing-insecure student is identified; and

2 (5) the appropriate referral techniques, including the  
3 name and contact number of the school or school district  
4 homeless liaison.

5 A school board may work with a community-based  
6 organization that specializes in working with homeless  
7 children and youth to develop and provide the training.

8 (Source: P.A. 103-41, eff. 8-20-24; 103-128, eff. 6-30-23;  
9 103-413, eff. 1-1-24; 103-542, eff. 7-1-24 (see Section 905 of  
10 P.A. 103-563 for effective date of P.A. 103-542); 103-603,  
11 eff. 1-1-25; 103-605, eff. 7-1-24; 104-391, eff. 8-15-25.)