

# Merits of Membership

## Support for Board Policy-Making

- 1,200+** pages of sample policies and procedures (PRESS) revised and updated
- 6** policy products or services offered
- Amicus Program** supporting member districts
- 235** ICSA members
- 90%** member subscription to PRESS-based services
- Consultations** provided to member districts

## Individual and Board Training

- 12 in-district workshops** available
- Popular training topics**
  - Governance Review
  - Starting Right
  - Basics of Governance
  - Setting District Goals
  - Superintendent Evaluation
- Recognition for leadership development**
- 34 online courses and webinars**

## Access to Valuable Services, Information, and Expertise

- 3,500+** titles, data, and research available
- \$41 savings** on books
- 6 issues** of *Illinois School Board Journal*
- 15 sponsored programs** offering cost-savings
- Discounts** on Executive Search services
- 70 Service Associate firms** to do business with

## Connect and Collaborate for a Strong Collective Voice

- Governed by a board** representing **21 regional divisions**
- 42** Division Meetings
- 100+** year history (1913-2013)
- 99%** of Illinois public school districts
- 1** IASB • IASA • IASBO Joint Annual Conference
- Member of NSBA**

## State and Federal Legislative Influence

- 6,000+** bills considered by the Illinois General Assembly
- 25%** impact schools
- Alliance partners** to enhance public policy efforts
- Advocacy impact in recent years:**
  - \$375 million additional funding for schools
  - \$1.5 billion additional funding for school construction
  - Protecting local control and lobbying against onerous state mandates
- 4** Association positions enacted into law
- A resolutions process** to guide the Association
- Meetings** with members of Congress
- Legislative updates and alerts**