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New Inside IASB Podcast Episode

In the latest episode of the [Inside IASB Podcast](#), IASB's Lori Grant explores key questions and concerns that newly elected board members bring to the table. The episode offers a behind-the-scenes look at school board dynamics and what it takes to lead effectively. Additional resources for [new board members](#) can be found on the IASB website, along with [state required training](#). Catch up on past episodes of Inside IASB on [Spotify](#), [Apple](#), and [YouTube](#) platforms.

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Exhibition of Educational Environments

School design entries for the [2025 Exhibition of Education Environments](#) are now being accepted. The awards program, sponsored by the IASB Service Associates, recognizes new or renovated school design projects for

instructional, recreational, administrative, or other use. Projects submitted for the school design competition must be completed in time for the start of school in the fall of 2025. [Entry forms](#) and associated fees for each project need to be submitted to IASB by July 11.



COSSBA Events

Registration for two events hosted by the Consortium of State School Boards Associations (COSSBA) can be found on the [IASB website](#). The [2025 Federal Advocacy Conference](#), taking place September 7-9 in Washington, D.C, will bring together school board members, school board association staff, and public education advocates for two days of learning, networking, and direct action on Capitol Hill. From June 25-27 in St. Louis, COSSBA will host the [National School Safety Symposium](#) to empower district safety teams with the knowledge, tools, and connections needed to protect students, staff, and communities. COSSBA is a non-partisan, national alliance made up of state school board associations that provides resources, information, and training opportunities.



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