



FOR DIRECTORS AND TRUSTEES

Certificate in Special District Governance

This certificate is an opportunity for staff, directors and trustees to demonstrate to their constituents and colleagues the extent of their commitment and dedication to providing the best possible service to the communities they serve.

Requirements

- CSDA'S SPECIAL DISTRICT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY (OR SDLA CONFERENCE - FIRST TIME TRACK)**
Requires completion of all four modules of the California Special Districts Association (CSDA) Special District Leadership Academy within the last two years:
Module 1: Governance Foundations
Module 2: Setting Direction & Community Leadership
Module 3: Board's Role in Finance & Fiscal Accountability
Module 4: Board's Role in Human Resources
- ELECTIVE COURSES**
Requires at least 10 hours of continuing education from the California Special Districts Association (CSDA) or another statewide association specializing in local government.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What is the purpose of this certificate?

The Certificate in Special District Governance was designed to acknowledge special district board directors and trustees that have taken the time and made the effort to get core governance training and continuing education. The program is comprised of two distinct parts: the CSDA Special District Leadership Academy and at least 10 hours of continuing education from the California Special Districts Association (CSDA) or another statewide association specializing in local government.

Who should apply?

This is an individual recognition. Special district board members, trustees and staff are encouraged to apply.

What do you receive?

Upon completion and verification of the application and submission of the one-time fee, you will be recognized by receiving a custom certificate in a beautiful padded folder, that can be presented at an upcoming event should you be able to attend.

Is there a way for my district to be recognized also?

Yes. Completion of this certificate is now applied through the District of Distinction program. Qualifying districts may receive Silver, Gold, or Platinum recognition as a District of Distinction. See the District of Distinction application for details.

How long is the certificate good for?

This achievement lasts a lifetime. All you need to do is keep SDLF current anytime you change address, jobs, etc.

Fees \$65

CERTIFICATE IN SPECIAL DISTRICT GOVERNANCE APPLICATION

Submit Application

Submit this application along with all required documentation and payment of \$65.

SPECIAL DISTRICT LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION

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District:		
Contact Name:		
Contact Title:		
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City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:	Fax:	
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CSDA SPECIAL DISTRICT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY	
Module	Date Taken
SDLA Conference - First Time Track	
Module 1: Governance Foundations	
Module 2: Setting Direction/Community Leadership	
Module 3: Board's Role In Finance & Fiscal Accountability	
Module 4: Board's Role In Human Resources	

ELECTIVES* (AT LEAST 10 HOURS REQUIRED WITHIN THE LAST TWO YEARS) - Related Continuing Education (Full day = 8 hours, Half day = 4 hours, Webinar = 2 hours)		
Course Title & Sponsoring Organization	Date Taken	Hours
1.		
2.		
3.		
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**Please attach any verifying documentation. Use additional pages if necessary.*

PAYMENT	
Total: \$	<input type="checkbox"/> Check <input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> Mastercard <input type="checkbox"/> Discover <input type="checkbox"/> American Express
Acct. Name:	Acct. Number:
Expiration Date:	Authorized Signature: