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March 27 session for prospective school board members to include election information for Buffalo School Board candidates

When the Erie County Association of School Boards presents its annual workshop for prospective school board candidates on **Saturday, March 27, at Erie 1 BOCES, 355 Harlem Road, West Seneca**, two segments will be provided specifically for prospective Buffalo Board of Education candidates. Six of the nine seats on the Buffalo BOE are up for election this spring.

Workshop topics for ALL SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES include information on the role and functions of boards of cooperative educational services (BOCES), school boards and the law, the election process, the board-administration relationship and perspectives on school board service from both new and veteran board members. This section of the program runs from 8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

From 12:30-2 p.m. two additional segments will be provided to address the special challenges of school board campaigns in the Buffalo City School District. Representatives from the Erie County Board of Elections will discuss topics such as petitions, fundraising, district vs. at-large seats, and district boundaries.

In addition, there will be a Question Forum with Board of Elections Commissioners and Hodgson Russ School Attorneys Karl Kristoff and Jeffrey Swiatek.

This workshop is presented as a community service and is free of charge. A continental breakfast is provided. Register at 821-7297 or snowak@elb.org.

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The Mission of the Erie County Association of School Boards
is to provide member boards leadership and support
to promote the effective management and delivery of services to public school students.

The Erie County Association of School Boards, established in 1930, has 80 years of experience helping prospective board members understand the role of school boards and the school governance process. Once elected, ECASB is there to help train school board members in the vision, responsibilities, leadership and accountability required to set the environment for student achievement, equity, efficiency and excellence.