

2026 FSBA Legislative Platform Development

FALL 2025 TIMELINE



August 1

FSBA STAFF: Send all FSBA members platform development memo, timeline, and FSBA Legislative Platform Proposal Form

September 5, 6 p.m. ET

FSBA MEMBERS: Deadline to submit proposals to FSBA using the Platform Proposal Form here: https://fsba.org/2026-legislative-platform-proposal/

September 15

FSBA STAFF: Distribute all submitted proposals to the Legislative Priority Workgroup ²

September 23 (virtual)

FSBA LEGISLATIVE PRIORITY WORKGROUP: Review submitted proposals to check for compliance with specified criteria, identify priority items to recommend to the Legislative Subcommittee

September 26

FSBA STAFF: Draft list of eligible platform submissions and distribute to all FSBA members for review. Members then can communicate directly with staff or leadership to provide feedback leading up to the finalization of the platform.

October 10 (Orange County, Orange Technical College)

LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE: Meet to review and discuss eligible platform submissions and member feedback. Develop the proposed platform.

October 27 (virtual) ¹

ADVOCACY COMMITTEE: Review the Platforms, draft any needed amendments, consider any new or late-filed proposals, identify priorities, and Advocacy Committee adopt ⁵ the final 2026 platform.

The week of November 4

FSBA STAFF: Distribute the final 2026 FSBA Legislative Platform to all FSBA members

December 5 °

FSBA MEMBERS: Consider any eligible emergency items for inclusion in the 2026 FSBA Legislative Platform during the General Membership Meeting at the Annual Joint Conference (*Note: IF NEEDED*)

Footnotes

- 1 This is a firm deadline for submission of legislative proposals to ensure all proposals are included in the complete legislative platform development process
- 2 The Legislative Priority Workgroup is comprised of the FSBA Executive Committee, the Chair and Vice Chair of the FSBA Advocacy Committee, the Chair and Vice Chair of the Legislative Subcommittee, and the Chair and Vice Chair of the Federal Relations Subcommittee.
- 3 The Legislative Priority Workgroup determines if each proposal addresses an issue of statewide concern and is consistent with FSBA's mission and strategic directions. All proposals that meet these criteria are forwarded to the FSBA Legislative Subcommittee for further consideration of the specific merits of the proposal.
- 4 The Advocacy Committee is comprised of school board members designated by each school district to serve as the district's representative. Only the designated representative or designated alternate may vote on the final adoption of the platform. A district must be a member of FSBA to participate and to designate a representative.
- **5** Adoption requires a 2/3 vote of the Advocacy Committee members present, allowing one vote per school district.
- 6 No new platform items may be considered except for emergency items for which the urgency of the subject matter arose after the final adoption of the FSBA Platform and which have been deemed an emergency by the Executive Officers and the Legislative Committee Chair and Vice Chair. The adoption of any such items requires a 3/4 vote of the members who are present at the General Membership meeting which is typically held in at the Annual Joint Conference.