

The Exemplary Governance Awards (EGA) program recognizes school boards and school board members who exhibit an outstanding commitment to student success and good governance by engaging in regular and ongoing professional learning and development.

## **INDIVIDUAL AWARDS**

Individual awards are based on points accumulated through attendance at ISBA events and activities. There are four individual award levels — Commendable, Advanced, Distinguished, and Exemplary. Points required for each award level, and the point values for attending major events, appear below.

Commendable (Level 1)	75 points	Fall Conference	25 points
Advanced (Level 2)	125 points	School Law Seminars	10 points
Distinguished (Level 3)	175 points	Budget & Finance Seminar	10 points
Exemplary (Level 4)	225 points	Regional Meetings	5 points

## **BOARD AWARDS**

Board awards are based on the collective EGA status of individual board members and the completion of certain additional criteria. Requirements for attaining each level are as follows.

- Commendable (Level 1): When a majority of board members attain the Commendable individual award, the board is recognized as a Commendable Board.
- Advanced (Level 2): When all board members attain the Commendable individual award, the board will be recognized as an Advanced Board.
- **Distinguished (Level 3):** To become a Distinguished Board, the board must have qualified as an Advanced Board in the prior year. In addition, each board member must earn an additional 25 EGA points, and the board must hold a board retreat with an outside facilitator and complete a self-assessment.
- Exemplary (Level 4): Exemplary Board recognition is the highest award a school board can earn. Scan the QR Code to see the full criteria for becoming an Exemplary Board.