



2023–2024

State of Independent School Governance AT A GLANCE

BOARD MAKEUP



20: average number of board members, **up from 19 in 2018**

48% of board members are female, **up from 46% in 2018.**

48% of board members are current parents.

55% of boards have no emeritus board members.

3 YEARS

This has been the typical board member term limit since 2006. 20% of boards reported having no limit on renewable terms for trustees.



79%

of boards are self-perpetuating, **up from 64% in 2018.**



39%

of boards meet 5 to 6 times per year, and **40% hold executive sessions every board meeting as needed.**



75%

of boards engage in professional development at least once a year.



6

permanent committees is the average, **up from 5 in 2018.**



82%

of boards conduct self-evaluations annually.



86%

of boards evaluate their head's performance annually.