

## **Position Announcement Government Relations and School Finance Specialist**

Strong public schools depend on clear data, sound policy, and informed local leadership. The Iowa Association of School Boards (IASB) is seeking a highly motivated, detail-oriented professional to serve as Government Relations and School Finance Specialist, supporting the association's advocacy efforts and school finance initiatives that impact districts across Iowa.

This position sits at the intersection of public policy and data. The Specialist works across both the Government Relations and School Finance teams to support legislative tracking, fiscal analysis, and the development of data-driven tools and resources for public school board members and school leaders.

Core responsibilities include maintaining and improving school finance data tools, collecting and analyzing financial and legislative data, and supporting bill-tracking and public school advocacy efforts. The role also contributes to the development of reports, dashboards, presentations, and web-based resources that translate complex school finance and legislative information into clear, actionable insights.

The position also assists with website content management, member support, legislative platform development, and coordination of advocacy-related meetings, workshops, and events. The ideal candidate is highly organized, analytical, and adaptable, with strong attention to detail and the ability to manage multiple priorities across two dynamic functional areas.

Qualified candidates should possess a bachelor's degree in public policy, economics, finance, data analytics, political science, community and regional planning, or a related field. Candidates with equivalent experience demonstrating strong analytical and technical skills will also be considered.

Because this position requires both analytical and communication skills, applicants must submit a resume and cover letter that clearly address the following:

- Describe your experience working with data, spreadsheets, or analytical projects. What tools have you used, and how have you applied them?
- Share an example of a project where you translated complex information into a format others could understand (written, visual, or presentation).
- Describe any experience you have with legislative processes, public policy, or government relations work.

The salary for this position is expected to be around \$55,000, depending on qualifications and experience, and includes a competitive benefits package.

Apply by 4:00 pm, June 23, 2026, by submitting a resume and cover letter to Stephanie Rousseau, Iowa Association of School Boards, 6000 Grand Avenue, Ste. A, Des Moines, IA 50312, or email to [srousseau@ia-sb.org](mailto:srousseau@ia-sb.org). Applications that do not include both a resume and a cover letter meeting the requirements above will not be considered.