

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Sections  
5 3-11 and 24-3 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/3-11) (from Ch. 122, par. 3-11)

7 Sec. 3-11. Institutes or inservice training workshops. In  
8 counties of less than 2,000,000 inhabitants, the regional  
9 superintendent may arrange for or conduct district, regional,  
10 or county institutes, or equivalent professional educational  
11 experiences, not more than 4 days annually. Of those 4 days, 2  
12 days may be used as a teacher's and educational support  
13 personnel workshop, when approved by the regional  
14 superintendent, up to 2 days may be used for conducting  
15 parent-teacher conferences, or up to 2 days may be utilized as  
16 parental institute days as provided in Section 10-22.18d.  
17 Educational support personnel may be exempt from a workshop if  
18 the workshop is not relevant to the work they do. A school  
19 district may use one of its 4 institute days on the last day of  
20 the school term. "Institute" or "Professional educational  
21 experiences" means any educational gathering, demonstration of  
22 methods of instruction, visitation of schools or other  
23 institutions or facilities, sexual abuse and sexual assault

1 awareness seminar, or training in First Aid (which may include  
2 cardiopulmonary resuscitation or defibrillator training) held  
3 or approved by the regional superintendent and declared by him  
4 to be an institute day, or parent-teacher conferences. With the  
5 concurrence of the State Superintendent of Education, he or she  
6 may employ such assistance as is necessary to conduct the  
7 institute. Two or more adjoining counties may jointly hold an  
8 institute. Institute instruction shall be free to holders of  
9 certificates good in the county or counties holding the  
10 institute, and to those who have paid an examination fee and  
11 failed to receive a certificate.

12 In counties of 2,000,000 or more inhabitants, the regional  
13 superintendent may arrange for or conduct district, regional,  
14 or county inservice training workshops, or equivalent  
15 professional educational experiences, not more than 4 days  
16 annually. Of those 4 days, 2 days may be used as a teacher's  
17 and educational support personnel workshop, when approved by  
18 the regional superintendent, up to 2 days may be used for  
19 conducting parent-teacher conferences, or ~~and~~ up to 2 days may  
20 be utilized as parental institute days as provided in Section  
21 10-22.18d. Educational support personnel may be exempt from a  
22 workshop if the workshop is not relevant to the work they do. A  
23 school district may use one of those 4 days on the last day of  
24 the school term. "Inservice Training Workshops" or  
25 "Professional educational experiences" means any educational  
26 gathering, demonstration of methods of instruction, visitation

1 of schools or other institutions or facilities, sexual abuse  
2 and sexual assault awareness seminar, or training in First Aid  
3 (which may include cardiopulmonary resuscitation or  
4 defibrillator training) held or approved by the regional  
5 superintendent and declared by him to be an inservice training  
6 workshop, or parent-teacher conferences. With the concurrence  
7 of the State Superintendent of Education, he may employ such  
8 assistance as is necessary to conduct the inservice training  
9 workshop. With the approval of the regional superintendent, 2  
10 or more adjoining districts may jointly hold an inservice  
11 training workshop. In addition, with the approval of the  
12 regional superintendent, one district may conduct its own  
13 inservice training workshop with subject matter consultants  
14 requested from the county, State or any State institution of  
15 higher learning.

16 Such teachers institutes as referred to in this Section may  
17 be held on consecutive or separate days at the option of the  
18 regional superintendent having jurisdiction thereof.

19 Whenever reference is made in this Act to "teachers  
20 institute", it shall be construed to include the inservice  
21 training workshops or equivalent professional educational  
22 experiences provided for in this Section.

23 Any institute advisory committee existing on April 1, 1995,  
24 is dissolved and the duties and responsibilities of the  
25 institute advisory committee are assumed by the regional office  
26 of education advisory board.

1           Districts providing inservice training programs shall  
2 constitute inservice committees, 1/2 of which shall be  
3 teachers, 1/4 school service personnel and 1/4 administrators  
4 to establish program content and schedules.

5           The teachers institutes shall include teacher training  
6 committed to (i) peer counseling programs and other  
7 anti-violence and conflict resolution programs, including  
8 without limitation programs for preventing at risk students  
9 from committing violent acts, and (ii) educator ethics and  
10 teacher-student conduct. Beginning with the 2009-2010 school  
11 year, the teachers institutes shall include instruction on  
12 prevalent student chronic health conditions.

13           (Source: P.A. 95-969, eff. 1-1-09; 96-431, eff. 8-13-09.)

14           (105 ILCS 5/24-3) (from Ch. 122, par. 24-3)

15           Sec. 24-3. Attendance at teachers' institute. The days in  
16 any school year spent by a teacher or educational support  
17 personnel during the term time spent in attendance upon a  
18 teachers' institute or equivalent professional educational  
19 experiences held under the direction of the county  
20 superintendent of schools shall be considered time expended in  
21 the service of the district and no deduction of wages shall be  
22 made for such attendance. The board may make a pro-rata  
23 deduction from the salary of any teacher or educational support  
24 personnel who fail ~~fails~~ or refuse ~~refuses~~ to attend such  
25 institute, unless, in the case of educational support

1 personnel, they are exempt from attending. The boards shall  
2 close the schools for county institute.

3 (Source: P.A. 85-697.)