

SCHOOL BOARD POWERS AND DUTIES

The school board has complete and final control over local school matters subject only to limitations imposed by state law and regulations of the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, and, of course, the will of local residents as expressed in district elections. The board believes its major responsibilities are:

1. To determine educational standards and goals for the school district.
2. To exercise educational leadership and draft policies for the operation of the local schools.
3. To employ a district administrator of schools.
4. To authorize the appointment of teachers and other staff members.
5. To secure money for school operational needs and building programs and to authorize specific expenditures.
6. To express and represent the views of the community in matters affecting education.
7. To interpret the educational program and needs to the community.

In order to discharge these varied and necessary responsibilities the board will rely on the consultative resources available in the community and on the professional staff of the schools.

Although the board retains full legislative and judicial authority over the schools, it delegates all executive, supervisory, and instructional authority and operation to its professional staff under the direction of the district administrator of schools.

LEGAL REF.: Wis. Stat 115.01 (4)
120.13
121.02

Note: Section 121.02 lists the standards set by the Wisconsin Legislature which school districts should meet in order to provide equal and basic educational opportunities to all children. These are related to the powers and duties of the board.