

BOARD AUTHORITY, ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Board of Education's authority is established by the *School Act*. Specifically, the Board functions as a corporate entity and exercises powers granted or implied by the *School Act* and Regulations. As a corporate entity, Board authority resides with the Board and not individual trustees.

The Board's primary role is the governance of the school district based on a commitment to student achievement.

The Board is responsible for:

- Acting in accordance with the *School Act* and all other provincial or federal legislation.
- Making decisions in the best interest of the students it serves.
- Protecting the interests, image and credibility of the school district.
- Establishing and monitoring a strategic plan for the school district.
- Establishing a Financial Plan and annual budget that ensures resources are aligned to the strategic plan.
- Developing policy and bylaws that will provide a framework within which the Superintendent and Secretary Treasurer can discharge their duties.
- Selecting, compensating and subsequently ensuring the effectiveness of the Superintendent's leadership
- Establishing effective, open communications and opportunities for engagement with Rightsholder, education partners, local and regional government and community partners.
- Advocating for public education and school district priorities through relevant provincial organizations and associations

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