

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD AND ITS OFFICERS

- a) The Board of Education shall exercise the powers and duties enumerated in the Education Law and by Commissioner's Regulations.
- b) Although each of the enumerated responsibilities belongs ultimately to the Board of Education, their definition and fulfillment requires the widespread cooperation of administrators, teachers and lay citizens if they are to represent an expression of community wishes, as well as a reflection of professional expertise, wisdom, experience, and research.
- c) The basic responsibilities of the Board of Education members shall include:
 - 1. Developing a philosophy of education and providing citizen leadership in determining the goals which public education in their community should strive to attain.
 - 2. Determining policies which will assist in developing and improving the curriculum to implement better the philosophy and goals of the District.
 - 3. Evaluating the educational program of the schools as a continuing process.
 - 4. Developing sound written policies as guidelines to action and decision.
 - 5. Establishing conditions which will attract and retain an excellent professional staff.
 - 6. Providing adequate financing for present needs and future plans of the total program.
 - 7. Providing good physical facilities and equipment for carrying on the educational program.
 - 8. Maintaining a program of public information for community understanding of the school's program and policies.
 - 9. Providing necessary student services.
 - 10. Engaging in self-improvement programs and activities for the purpose of rendering better Board of Education service.

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