

CONCEPTS AND ROLES

The focus of the school system is student learning. In order to provide a school environment conducive to learning, the Governing Board and district staff shall work closely with parents/guardians and the community to provide safe and orderly schools where students are challenged to reach the highest levels of achievement and the physical and intellectual needs of students are appropriately addressed.

Students are expected to accept personal responsibility for making maximum use of those educational opportunities afforded. It is also expected that as a result of the total school experience, students will come to appreciate the values of self-discipline, responsibility, respect for others, their country and its governmental processes.

Discrimination among students applying for admission to or attending district schools with respect to color, creed, race, sex, religion, ancestry, handicap, or national origin is prohibited.

(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination)

Role of Governing Board

The Board:

1. Establishes policies to provide the highest-quality program of education for the district's students.
2. Authorizes the establishment of special classes, programs, or other facilities for students who are in need of special education in keeping with all legal provisions.
3. Provides for the physical and mental well-being of students.
4. Determines policies regarding student behavior and attendance within the limits of the law.

Role of Superintendent

The Superintendent:

1. Administers all schools and classes established by the Board.
2. Directs the instruction, guidance and discipline of all students.

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3. Provides leadership and guidance to establish the pattern of education to be offered to students.
4. Provides leadership and guidance to establish the boundaries of school attendance within the district.
5. Provides leadership and guidance to establish the assignment of students to different schools to improve their education, reduce the expense of maintaining schools or relieve overcrowded conditions.
6. Has general charge of the enforcement of the compulsory attendance law and the issuance of work permits.
7. Has immediate authority for the closing of schools in case of emergencies involving the health and safety of students.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

200-261 Prohibition of discrimination on the basis of sex

TITLE IX of the Education Amendments of 1972