

ROLE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION (POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES)

The Humboldt County Board of Education is elected by the community to provide citizen oversight and shared governance of the schools and programs of the County Office of Education. The Board shall work with the County Superintendent of Schools to fulfill its major roles, which include:

1. Establishing and maintaining policies for the operation of the County Office of Education and its schools that reflect the Office of Education's vision, mission and the mandates of law,
2. Adopting bylaws that promote cooperation, trust and teamwork among its members, give parameters to the Board's operation as a governing body, and ensure that its meetings proceed efficiently and in compliance with law,
3. Adopting the annual budget of the County Office of Education,
4. Adopting the course of study, standards, curriculum and graduation requirements for those school programs for which the County Board of Education is designated by law as the governing body.
5. Serving as an appeals body as provided by law,
6. Filling by appointment any vacancy that occurs during the term of the county superintendent of schools,
7. Providing community leadership and advocacy at the local, state and national levels on behalf of children, school districts, county offices of education and the public education system.

The Board is authorized to establish and finance any program or activity that is not in conflict with, inconsistent with, or preempted by law. (Education Code 35160, 35160.1)

The Board may delegate any of its duties to the County Superintendent of Schools or designee but shall remain responsible for the performance of any duties it delegates. (Education Code 35161)

(cf. 2120 - Superintendent of Schools)

(cf. 2210 - Administrative Leeway in Absence of Governing Board Policy)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

1040-1047 Duties and responsibilities of county board of education

1830 Provision of audio and visual materials

1984 County board of education as school district (Community Schools)

17565-17592 Board duties re property maintenance and control

33319.5 Implementation of authority of local agencies

Bylaws of the Board

BB 9000(b)

35160-35161 Powers and duties

48645.2 County board administration and operation of juvenile court schools

48667 County office of education deemed school district (community day schools)

52301.5 Governing board of a regional occupational program