

Decatur County Board of Education

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1 The board will be guided by the general mandatory powers and duties of the board as defined through
2 statute¹ which state or imply that a local Board of Education has full power to operate the local public
3 schools as it deems fit in compliance with state and federal mandates. The board functions only when
4 in session.

5 The board sees these as its required functions:

- 6 1. **Policy Oversight:**^{1,2} The board will develop policy and employ a chief school administrator
7 who shall carry out its policies through the development and implementation of administrative
8 procedures. The board will evaluate the effectiveness of its policies and their implementation.
9 This includes setting and evaluating goals in educational and financial areas.
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11 2. **Educational Planning:**³ The board will require reliable information from responsible sources
12 which enable it and the staff to work toward the continuous improvement of the educational
13 program.
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15 3. **Provision of Financial Resources:**⁴ The board will adopt a budget to provide the necessary
16 funding in terms of buildings, staff, materials, and equipment to enable the school system to
17 carry out its functions.
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19 4. **Interpretation:** The board will keep the local community informed about the school system
20 and keep itself informed about the wishes of the public. The board will build public support for
21 the schools by involving the public in the planning process.

22 The board will provide, within the financial limitations set by the community, the best educational
23 opportunities possible for all children.

24 The Board shall exercise its powers through the legislation of policies for the organization and
25 operation of the school district. The board shall delegate the administration of the schools to the
26 director of schools.

Legal References

1. TCA 49-2-203
2. TCA 49-2-207
3. TCA 49-1-302(a)(1-3); TRR/MS 0520-2-1-.01
4. TCA 49-2-203(a)(10)(A)(i)

Cross References

- Policy Development & Adoption 1.600
- Administrative Procedures 1.601
- School District Goals 1.700
- Annual Operating Budget 2.200