

# Hancock County Board of Education

Monitoring:  <b>Review: Annually, in September</b>	Descriptor Term:  <h2 style="text-align: center;">Role of the Board of Education</h2>	Descriptor Code: <h3 style="text-align: center;">1.101</h3>	Issued Date: <h3 style="text-align: center;">04/09/15</h3>
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1 The Board will be guided by the general mandatory powers and duties of the Board as defined through  
 2 statute<sup>1</sup> 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:**<sup>1,2</sup> The Board shall develop a policy manual and employ a chief school administrator  
 7 who shall carry out its policies through the development and implementation of administrative  
 8 procedures. The Board shall regularly evaluate the effectiveness of its policies and their implementation.

9 **2. Educational Planning:**<sup>3</sup> The Board shall require reliable information from responsible sources which  
 10 enable it and the staff to work toward the continuous improvement of the educational program.

11 **3. Fiscal Planning:**<sup>4</sup> The Board shall adopt a budget to provide the necessary funding in terms of  
 12 buildings, staff, materials and equipment to enable the school system to carry out its functions.

13 **4. Promotion:** The Board shall keep the local community informed about the school system, its  
 14 accomplishments, and its actions and build public support for the schools by involving the public in the  
 15 planning process.

16 The Board shall strive to provide the best educational opportunities possible for all children.

17 The Board shall exercise its powers through the enactment of policies for the organization and operation  
 18 of the school system. The Board shall delegate the administration of the schools to the director of schools.

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Legal References

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

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Cross References

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