

**VILLA GROVE COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #302
BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY MANUAL
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School District Organization

School District Legal Status

The Illinois Constitution requires the State to provide for an efficient system of high-quality public educational institutions and services in order to achieve the educational development of all persons to the limits of their capabilities.

The General Assembly has implemented this mandate through the creation of school districts. The District is governed by the laws for school districts serving a resident population of not fewer than 1,000 and not more than 500,000.

The Board of Education constitutes a body corporate that possesses all the usual powers of a corporation for public purposes, and in that name may sue and be sued, purchase, hold and sell personal property and real estate, and enter into such obligations as are authorized by law.

LEGAL REF.: Ill. Constitution, Art. X, Sec. 1.
105 ILCS 5/10-1 et seq.

CROSS REF.: 2:10 (School District Governance), 2:20 (Powers and Duties of the Board of Education; Indemnification)

ADOPTED: September 19, 2011

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District Organization, Operations, and Cooperative Agreements

The District is organized and operates as a Unit District serving the needs of children in grades Prekindergarten to 12 and others as required by the School Code.

The District enters into and participates in joint programs and intergovernmental agreements with units of local government and other school districts in order to jointly provide services and activities in a manner that will increase flexibility, scope of service opportunities, cost reductions, and/or otherwise benefit the District and the community. The Superintendent shall manage these activities to the extent the program or agreement requires the District's participation, and shall provide periodic implementation or operational data and/or reports to the Board concerning these programs and agreements. The District participates in the following joint programs and intergovernmental agreements:

*Education for Employment System Champaign County
Eastern Illinois Area of Special Education*

LEGAL REF.: Ill. Constitution, Art. VII, Sec. 10.
5 ILCS 220/1 et seq.

ADOPTED: October 16, 2006

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School District Philosophy

Our mission, as a school district, is to enable students to think critically, solve problems, make decisions, and develop necessary skills for productive citizenship and a lifetime of learning.

The Board's goals are:

To interpret the educational needs and aspirations of the community through formulation of policies which stimulate the learner and the learning process.

To manage the school system in accordance with Board policy.

To provide leadership in order that the goals and objectives of the school system (as set forth in the Board Policy Manual) can be effectively carried out.

To maintain two-way communication with the public in order to interpret public attitudes, to identify policies and procedures of the schools, and to encourage public involvement with and understanding of the schools.

To develop and provide the data appropriate for the management functions of planning, evaluating, organizing, controlling, and executing.

CROSS REF: 2:10 (School District Governance), 3:10 (Goals and Objectives), 6:10 (Educational Philosophy and Objectives)

ADOPTED: April 24, 2006