

**OAK PARK AND RIVER FOREST HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 200
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)

ADOPTED:

School District Organization

District Organization, Operations, and Cooperative Agreements

The District is organized and operates as a High School District serving the educational needs of children in grades 9 through 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 of Education concerning these programs and agreements.

The District participates in joint programs and intergovernmental agreements, including, but not limited to:

School Association for Special Education in DuPage County (SASED)

Ombudsman

Safe Schools West 40

Triton College

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

ADOPTED:

School District Organization

School District Philosophy

Oak Park and River Forest High School exists to provide all students with a superior education so that they achieve their full human potential.

In pursuit of this mission, we value:

- Educational excellence for its own worth
- A broad range of educational opportunities
- The potential in all students to learn
- A commitment to learning as the responsibility of each student to achieve his or her full potential
- Students as individuals with different learning styles
- Respect for the rights of all members of the school community in a secure, safe and caring environment
- A sense of community and good citizenship
- Equity across groups and fairness toward individuals
- The high school as a communicator of common values to students
- Diversity
- A sense of self-worth
- A partnership between the student, family, school, and community

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

ADOPTED: