## **SCHOOL BOARD LEGAL STATUS**

The School Board derives its authority from the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, from the acts of the State Legislature, the electorate of the district and the regulations of the State Board of Education and State Board of Vocational Education.

As expressed in the law, the Board is the governing board of a school district, and is created "...for the purpose of organizing, maintaining, and locating schools and for providing educational opportunities and services for all citizens residing within the school district."

The Board will consist of five members, elected at large by the registered voters of the district. Except as otherwise provided by law, Board members will hold office for terms of three years.

Established by law

Legal References: SDCL 13-6-13.1 13-8-1 through 13-8-5 13-6-2 et seq.

## **Cross References:**

AA, School District Legal Status BBA, School Board Powers and Duties BBB, School Board Elections

<u>Policy</u>

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