

POWERS AND DUTIES

Powers and mandatory duties of the Board of Directors are defined in state statutes. This Board considers that its most important functions fall into the following categories.

1. **LEGISLATIVE OR POLICYMAKING.** The Board is responsible for the development of policy and for the employment of a principal who will carry out its policy through the development and implementation of regulations.
2. **EDUCATIONAL PLANNING AND APPRAISAL.** The Board is responsible for acquiring reliable information from responsible sources which will enable it to make the best possible decisions about the scope and nature of the educational program. The Board is responsible for requiring appraisal of the results of the educational program.
3. **STAFFING AND APPRAISAL.** The Board is responsible for employing the staff necessary for carrying out the instructional program and establishing salaries and salary schedules (and other terms and conditions of employment) as well as for personnel policies for the school. The Board is responsible for appraising the effectiveness of its staff by providing for their regular evaluation.
4. **FINANCIAL RESOURCES.** The Board is responsible for adopting a budget that will provide the financial basis for building, staff, materials, and equipment which will enable the school to carry out the educational program. The Board is responsible for exercising control over the finances of the school to assure proper use of, and accounting for, all school funds.
5. **SCHOOL FACILITIES.** The Board is responsible for determining school housing needs, for communicating these needs to the community, for purchasing sites and approving building plans that will support and enhance the educational program.
6. **COMMUNICATION WITH PUBLIC.** The Board is responsible for providing adequate and direct means for keeping the JMCA community informed about the school and for keeping itself informed about the wishes of parents.
7. **JUDICIAL.** The Board is responsible for acting as a court of appeal for school staff members, students, and the public when issues involve Board policy and their fair implementation.

LEGAL REFERENCES: Colorado School Laws; 22-32-109,110
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The Board may exercise the above powers and duties only when convened in a legally constituted meeting.

NOTE: Since employees have easier access to District School Board Policies than to a Colorado School Law Reference, this policy is designed to summarize the state statutes dealing with Board Powers and Duties — not replace the statutes.