

SECTION: LOCAL BOARD  
PROCEDURES

TITLE: AUTHORITY AND POWERS

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# Farrell Area School District

## 002. AUTHORITY AND POWERS

### Section 1. Authority

Article III  
Sec. 14  
SC 211  
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The authority to establish, equip, furnish, operate and maintain the public schools of the Farrell Area School District is vested in the Board of School Directors, which is a body corporate and which is constituted and governed by Title 24, the Public School Code of 1949, of the Pennsylvania statutes and Article III of the Constitution.

### Section 2. Powers

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The Board shall establish such schools as are required for the education of every person residing in the Farrell Area School District between the ages of six and 21 years who may attend such schools; shall equip, furnish, operate, and maintain such schools; shall adopt and enforce rules and regulations for the management of school affairs and the conduct and deportment of employes and students; and shall levy and collect such taxes as may be necessary, in addition to the annual State appropriation, for the exercise of aforesaid powers.

The Board, in accordance with its statutory mandate, shall prepare procedures for its own operation and policies for the guidance of the Chief School Administrator in the operation of the school district. Such procedures, and policies shall be consistent with law, have a rational and substantial relationship to a legitimate purpose of the Board, and be directed towards the maintenance and support of a thorough and efficient system of public education in this district.

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School Code  
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Art. III  
Sec. 14

The Board shall act as the general agent of the General Assembly in carrying out the will of the people of this district in the matter of public education. It shall establish educational goals for the children of this district and govern a program of education designed to meet those goals. The Board shall be responsible for enforcing mandatory laws. The Board shall be the agent responsible for establishing, maintaining and appraising the public education activities of this school district in accordance with law.

The powers of the Board of School Directors are not vested in the individual school director. No such individual is authorized to act on behalf of the Board to carry out any of the Board's statutorily authorized powers, except for those acts stated in law. No Board member, by virtue of this office, shall exercise any administrative responsibility with respect to the schools, nor as an individual command the services of any school employe.

It is understood that the members of the Board have authority only when acting as a Board legally in session. The Board shall not be bound in any way by any action or statement on the part of any individual Board member, except when such statement or action is in pursuance of specific instructions from the Board.

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