

What is the role of a Board of Education Member and how does it differ from that of the Superintendent?

The Board of Education

The Board works with the Superintendent to create a District **vision**, set goals, and establish framework of desired outcomes.

The Board reviews, modifies, and approves all **District policies**.

The Board **adopts a budget** puts it to voters for approval and **sets school tax rates** within legal limits.

The Board **hires, supervises, and manages the superintendent**. It is their only employee.

The Board has a **clear chain of communication** (Board President and Superintendent) that helps to avoid confusion and misinformation.

The Superintendent

The superintendent implements the school board's vision by making **day-to-day decisions** about educational programs, spending, staff, and facilities.

The Superintendent **ensures policies are implemented** and practiced district-wide.

The superintendent **hires, supervises, and manages the central staff and principals**.

The Board should ask questions directly to the Superintendent who will **gather information and provide a response**. Superintendents want well-informed Board members!