

**MOUNT PROSPECT SCHOOL DISTRICT 57
SCHOOL BOARD 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 School Board 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 School Board; Indemnification)

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District Organization, Operations, and Cooperative Agreements

The District is organized and operates as follows:

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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 School Board concerning these programs and agreements. The District participates in the following joint programs and intergovernmental agreements:

Northwest Suburban Special Education Organization (NSSEO)

Mount Prospect District 57 Education Foundation

Mount Prospect Park District Association

Mount Prospect District 57 Parent Teacher Associations

Village of Mount Prospect and Its Various Entities

Mount Prospect District 57 Boys and Girls Scout Troops

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

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School District Philosophy

Mission Statement

Our mission is preparing children to learn and succeed in a changing world.

Vision Statement

As a critical community asset whose performance affects all area residents, Mount Prospect District 57 will continually build on its tradition of excellent performance, fiscal stewardship and community engagement to provide an exceptional education experience for all young learners.

Core Values

We believe

Students are the focus of an educational process that is valued and shared by the home, school, local business and community.

All learners' strengths should be discovered, encouraged and developed.

All students are capable of learning and are responsible and are accountable for their academic performance and for their own behavior.

Our schools are dedicated to teaching students to be involved, active learners, who work hard, solve problems critically and creatively and communicate effectively.

All students, parents and staff members are treated with dignity and respect and are expected to treat others in the same manner.

Participation in the decision-making process by students, staff, parents and community members is valuable.

The District is a valuable asset owned by the community and must be fiscally responsible to the taxpayers in the community.

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

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