

# ALLENTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: LOCAL BOARD PROCEDURES

TITLE: AUTHORITY AND POWERS

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<p>Art. III Sec. 14 SC 211, 301, 501, 507, 510</p> <p>SC 211, 406, 407, 501, 502, 503, 507, 510, 511, 803, 1411</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">002. AUTHORITY AND POWERS</p> <p>Section 1. <u>Authority</u></p> <p>The authority to establish, equip, furnish, operate and maintain the public schools of The School District of the City of Allentown is vested in the Board of School Directors, a group of elected resident citizens, 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.</p> <p>Section 2. <u>Powers</u></p> <p>The Board shall establish such schools as are required for the education of every person residing in The School District of the City of Allentown between the ages of six (6) and twenty-one (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 department of employees 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.</p> <p>The Board, in accordance with its statutory mandate, shall prepare procedures for its own operation and policies for the guidance of the Superintendent 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.</p> <p>The Board shall act as the general agent of the people of this district in the matter of public education. It shall establish educational goals for the students 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.</p>
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