

Superintendent Responsibilities And Duties

The Governing Board desires to establish a productive working relationship with the Superintendent. The Board desires that the Superintendent focus on student learning and achievement, and the attainment of the district's vision and goals. The Board also desires to provide a fair basis for holding the Superintendent accountable. The responsibilities of the Superintendent are detailed in law, in the Superintendent's contract, and throughout Board policies and administrative regulations.

(cf. 0000 – Vision)
(cf. 2000 – Concepts and Roles)
(cf. – Superintendent Governance Standards)
(cf. 2121 – Superintendent's Contract)

The Board shall clarify expectations and goals for the Superintendent at the beginning of every evaluation year.

(cf. 2140 – Evaluation of the Superintendent)

As the chief executive officer of the district, the Superintendent shall implement all Board decisions and manage the instructional and noninstructional operations of the school district. The Superintendent also serves as a member of the district's governance team and has responsibilities to support Board operations and decision making.

(cf. 2210 – Administrative Leeway in absence of Governing Board Policy)
(cf. 9000 – Role of the Board)
(cf. 9122 – Secretary)

The Superintendent may delegate any of his/her responsibilities and duties to other district staff, but he/she remains accountable to the Board for all areas of operation under the Superintendent's authority.

(cf. 2220 – Administrative Staff Organization)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

17604 Delegation of powers to agents
17605 Delegation of authority to purchase supplies, equipment and services
35020 Powers and duties of superintendent
48900 Authority of superintendent to recommend suspension or expulsion

Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Maximizing School Board Governance
Superintendent Governance Standards, 2001

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>
American Association of School Administrators: <http://www.aasa.org>
Association of California School Administrators: <http://www.acsa.org>