

<b>1110</b>	<b>School District and Board of Education Legal Status, Authority, Powers and Duties</b>
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The Constitution of New York State instructs the Legislature to provide for a system of free common schools wherein all children of the State may be educated.

The State Legislature has implemented this constitutional mandate through the creation of school districts of various types. As a Central School District, the Ballston Spa Central School District is organized under and subject to the provisions of Education Law Article 37.

The Board of Education is the corporate body charged with the general control, management, and responsibility of the schools of the Ballston Spa Central School District. As such, it possesses those powers and duties set forth in law, principally Articles 33, 35 and 37, and other applicable federal and state laws and regulations. In general, the Board has in all respects the superintendence, management and control of the educational affairs of the District and has all the powers necessary to exercise these powers expressly granted to it by the laws of New York State and the Commissioner of Education.

The Board of Education is authorized to act as a body duly called in session. Individual Board members have no authority over school affairs.

*Education Law Sections 2, 1501, 1604, 1701, 1709, 1804, 2502, and 2503*  
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