

## SCHOOL BOARD LEGAL STATUS

State law provides that public schools will be operated and maintained by local school boards. As agents of the state, school boards are required to carry out state laws pertaining to public education and to carry out the policies and regulations of the state board of education.

The school board is an instrument of the New Hampshire legislature and derives its authority from the New Hampshire constitution, New Hampshire statutes, and rules of the state board of education.

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*Statutory-Regulatory References:*

*RSA 189:1, 189:1a*

*RSA 671:4, 194:1-3*

*RSA 186:5*

*RSA 197:1*

*RSA 671:4*

*N.H. Code of Administrative Rules-Section Ed. 303*

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