

School Board Legal Status

Connecticut law provides that public schools in each school district shall be maintained, developed, and operated by locally elected boards of education. Legally, local school boards are agents of the State and derive their authority from the General Assembly.

The “Charter of the Town of Wallingford, Connecticut” establishes the organizational framework of the Board of Education.

The Board of Education is a representative body of the people of the district and has a responsibility to the local citizenry it serves and by whom it is elected.

Recognizing these sources of authority and responsibility, the Wallingford Board of Education shall act as a legislative body in the determination of general policies for the control, operation, and maintenance of the public schools.

- Legal References:** Connecticut General Statutes
- 10-220. Duties of boards of education.
 - 10-221. Boards of education to prescribe rules, policies, and procedures.
 - 10-240. Control of schools.
 - 10-241. Powers of school districts.
- “Charter of the Town of Wallingford, Connecticut”

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