

POLICY #1100

CORPORATE PURPOSE & RESPONSIBILITY OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 This policy outlines the corporate purpose and responsibility of the Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey).

2. CORPORATE PURPOSE

- 2.1 The corporate purpose of the Board of Education is to provide governance for the Surrey School District. This includes:
- a) Providing equitable access to educational experiences for all students.
 - b) Ensuring all learners have the opportunity to develop their individual potential and to acquire the knowledge, skills, and competencies as outlined in the British Columbia Curriculum.
 - c) Governing the school district according to the legislative requirements in the School Act.
- 2.2 The Board directs responsibility to the Superintendent of Schools to develop a strategic plan, and to report on the progress towards achieving the goals in the strategic plan through the annual Enhancing Student Learning Report.

3. RESPONSIBILITIES

- 3.1 In addition to fulfilling all statutory obligations, the responsibility of the Board is to represent the community by:
- a) Establishing policies, ensuring implementation, and evaluating the results.
 - b) Establishing decision-making structures, allocating general responsibilities, and evaluating performance.
 - c) Acting as a final appeal body on district matters.

In carrying out its responsibilities, the Board acts corporately, but trustees exercise independent judgment in representing the interests of the community.

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4. REFERENCES AND RELATED DOCUMENTS

- 4.1 [School Act](#)
- 4.2 [British Columbia Curriculum](#)
- 4.3 [Enhancing Student Learning Report](#)

5. AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY

- 5.1 Board of Education
- 5.2 Superintendent of Schools

6. HISTORY

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