

Policy Number: BDR30

**SUBJECT: Delegation of Authority and
Accountability to the Director of Education**

POLICY STATEMENT

All Board authority delegated to staff is delegated through the Director of Education, so that all authority and accountability of staff is considered to be the authority and accountability of the Director of Education.

1. Through the establishment of *Expected Outcomes/Purposes* and policies, the Board will direct the Director of Education to achieve certain results, for certain recipients, at a certain cost. Through the establishment of *Executive Limitations* policies, the Board will limit the latitude that the Director of Education may exercise in achieving the desired results.
2. As long as the Director of Education uses any reasonable interpretation of the Board's *Expected Outcomes/Purposes* and *Executive Limitations* policies, the Director of Education is authorized to establish all further procedures and guidelines, make all decisions, take all actions, establish all practices and develop all activities.
3. The Board may change its *Expected Outcomes/Purposes* and *Executive Limitations* policies, thereby shifting the boundary between Board and Director of Education domains. As long as any particular delegation of Authority and Accountability is in place, the Board and its members will respect and support the Director of Education's actions. This does not prevent the Board from obtaining information in the delegated areas.
4. Only decisions of the Board acting as a body are binding upon the Director of Education.
 - A. Decisions or instructions of individual Board members, officers, or committees are not binding on the Director of Education except in rare instances when the board has specifically authorized such exercise of authority.
 - B. In the case of Board members or committees requesting information or assistance without Board authorizations, the Director of Education can refuse such requests that require - in the Director of Education's judgement - a material amount of staff time, or funds, or is disruptive .

Monitoring:

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Signature of the Secretary of the Board: _____