***Note**:* This policy addresses the powers and duties of the Board set forth in Education Code Chapter 11, Subchapter D. For other powers and duties of the Board not listed below, see the applicable policy codes.

The Trustees, as a body corporate, have the exclusive power and duty to govern and oversee the management of the public schools of the District. The Trustees may adopt rules and bylaws necessary to carry out these powers and duties.

All powers and duties not specifically delegated by statute to TEA or the State Board of Education are reserved for the Board.

Education Code 11.151(b), (d)

MANDATORY POWERS AND DUTIES

The Board shall:

1. Seek to establish working relationships with other public entities to make effective use of community resources and to serve the needs of public school students in the community.

2. Adopt a vision statement and comprehensive goals for the District and the Superintendent, and monitor progress toward those goals. [See AE]

3. Establish performance goals for the District concerning the academic and fiscal performance indicators under Education Code Chapter 39, Subchapters C, D, and J, and any performance indicators adopted by the District. [See AI series]

4. Ensure that the Superintendent is accountable for achieving performance results, recognizes performance accomplishments, and takes action as necessary to meet performance goals. [See BJA]

5. Collaborate with the Superintendent as set forth at Education Code 11.1512(b). [See BJA]

6. Adopt a policy to establish a District- and campus-level planning and decision-making process as required under Education Code 11.251. [See BQ series]

7. Publish an annual educational performance report as required under Education Code 39.306. [See AIB, BQ series]

8. Adopt an annual budget for the District as required under Education Code 44.004. [See CE]

9. Adopt a tax rate each fiscal year as required by Tax Code 26.05. [See CCG]

10. Monitor District finances to ensure that the Superintendent is properly maintaining the District's financial procedures and records. [See CF series]

11. Ensure that District fiscal accounts are audited annually as required by Education Code 44.008. [See CFC]

12. Publish an end-of-year financial report for distribution to the community. [See CFA]

13. Conduct elections as required by law. [See BBB]

14. By rule, adopt a process through which District personnel, students or the parents or guardians of students, and members of the public may obtain a hearing from the District administrators and the Board regarding a complaint. [See DGBA, FNG, and GF]

15. Make decisions relating to terminating the employment of District employees employed under a contract to which Education Code Chapter 21 applies, including terminating or not renewing an employment contract to which that chapter applies. [See DF series]

16. Select the internal auditor if the District employs an internal auditor. The internal auditor shall report directly to the Board. *Education Code 11.170* [See DC]

17. Adopt a policy providing for the employment and duties of District personnel. *Education Code 11.1513* [See BJ series, DC series, and DEA series]

18. Limit redundant requests for information and the number and length of written reports that a classroom teacher is required to prepare. The Board shall review paperwork requirements imposed on classroom teachers and transfer to existing noninstructional staff a reporting task that can reasonably be accomplished by that staff. *Education Code 11.164* [See DLB]

19. Carry out other powers and duties as provided by the Education Code or other law.

Education Code 11.1511(b), except as noted

DISCRETIONARY POWERS AND DUTIES

The Board may:

1. Issue bonds and levy, pledge, assess, and collect an annual ad valorem tax to pay the principal and interest on the bonds as authorized under Education Code 45.001 and 45.003.

2. Levy, assess, and collect an annual ad valorem tax for maintenance and operation of the District as authorized under Education Code 45.002 and 45.003.

Education Code 11.1511(c)(1), (2) [See CCA and CCG]

3. Employ a person to assess or collect the District's taxes as authorized under Education Code 45.231. *Education Code 11.1511(c)(3)* [See BDAF]

4. Enter into contracts as authorized under the Education Code or other law and delegate contractual authority to the Superintendent as appropriate. *Education Code 11.1511(c)(4)*

5. Sue and be sued in the name of the District. *Education Code 11.151(a)*

6. Receive bequests and donations or other moneys or funds coming legally into its hands in the name of the District. A conveyance, devise, or bequest of property for the benefit of the public schools, if not otherwise directed by the donor, vests the property in the Board or their successors in office. *Education Code 11.151(a), .156* [See CDC]

7. Contract with a public or private entity for that entity to provide educational services for the District. *Education Code 11.157* [See EEL]

8. Charge fees as set forth at Education Code 11.158. *Education Code 11.158* [See FP]

9. Change the name of the District. *Education Code 11.160* [See AB]

10. Adopt rules that require students at a school in the District to wear school uniforms as set forth at Education Code 11.162. *Education Code 11.162* [See FNCA]

11. Adopt rules to keep school campuses, including school libraries, open for recreational activities, latchkey programs, and tutoring after school hours. *Education Code 11.165*

12. Operate a school or program or hold a class on the campus of an institution of higher education as set forth at Education Code 11.166. *Education Code 11.166* [See GNC]

13. Operate a school or program, including an extracurricular program, or hold a class outside the boundaries of the District. *Education Code 11.167* [See GNA]

DISTRICT PROPERTY

The Board may acquire and hold real and personal property in the name of the District. All rights and titles to the school property of the District, whether real or personal, shall be vested in the Trustees and their successors in office. *Education Code 11.151(a), (c)* [See CHG]

The Board may, by resolution, authorize the sale of any property, other than minerals, held in trust for public school purposes. The Trustees may, in any appropriate manner, dispose of property that is no longer necessary for the operation of the District. *Education Code 11.151(c), .154(a)* [See CI]

The Board may, by resolution, authorize the donation of real property and improvements formerly used as a school campus to a municipality, county, state agency, or nonprofit organization as provided at Education Code 11.1541. *Education Code 11.1541* [See CDB]

Minerals in land belonging to the District may be sold to any person. The sale must be authorized by a resolution adopted by majority vote of the Board. *Education Code 11.153* [See CDB]

RESTRICTIONS ON BOARD POWERS AND DUTIES

The Board may not:

1. Enter into an agreement authorizing the use of District employees, property, or resources for the provision of materials or labor for the design, construction, or renovation of improvements to real property not owned or leased by the District. *Education Code 11.168* [See CE]

2. Impose taxes; issue bonds; use or authorize the use of District employees; use or authorize the use of District property, money, or other resources; or acquire property for the design, construction, renovation, or operation of a hotel. *Education Code 11.178* [See CE]