

SCHOOL COMMITTEE - SUPERINTENDENT RELATIONSHIP

The legislation of policies is the most important function of the School Committee. The execution of those policies is the function of the Superintendent.

Delegation by the School Committee of its executive powers to the Superintendent provides freedom for the Superintendent to manage the schools within the School Committee's policies and frees the School Committee to devote its time to policy-making and appraisal functions.

The Committee will leave to the Superintendent all matters of decision and administration that come within his/her scope as executive officer or as professional leader of the school system. While the Committee reserves to itself the ultimate decision of all matters concerning general policy or expenditures of funds, it will normally proceed in these areas after receiving recommendations from the Superintendent.

Further:

1. The Superintendent shall ask for guidance from the Committee with respect to matters of operation whenever appropriate. If it is necessary to make exceptions to an established policy, s/he will submit the matter to the Committee for advice and direction.
2. The Superintendent will assist the Committee in reaching sound judgments and establishing policies, and will place before the Committee all relevant facts, information, and reports necessary to keep the Committee adequately informed of situations or business at hand.

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