

SECTION 1 - SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION

Union Ridge SD 86

1:10 School District Legal Status

The Illinois Constitution requires the State to provide for an efficient system of high-quality public educational institutions and services in order to achieve the educational development of all persons to the limits of their capabilities.

The General Assembly has implemented this mandate through the creation of school districts. The District is governed by the laws for school districts serving a resident population of not fewer than 1,000 and not more than 500,000.

The Board of Education constitutes a body corporate that possesses all the usual powers of a corporation for public purposes, and in that name may sue and be sued, purchase, hold and sell personal property and real estate, and enter into such obligations as are authorized by law.

LEGAL REF.:

Ill. Constitution, Art. X, Sec. 1.

105 ILCS 5/10-1 et seq.

CROSS REF.: 2:10 (School District Governance), 2:20 (Powers and Duties of the Board of Education; Indemnification)

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1:20 District Organization, Operations, and Cooperative Agreements

The District is organized and operates as an Elementary District serving the needs of children in grades pre-K through 8 and others as required by the School Code.

The District enters into and participates in joint programs and intergovernmental agreements with units of local government and other school districts in order to jointly provide services and activities in a manner that will increase flexibility, scope of service opportunities, cost reductions, and/or otherwise benefit the District and the community. The Superintendent shall manage these activities to the extent the program or agreement requires the District's participation, and shall provide periodic implementation or operational data and/or reports to the Board of Education concerning these programs and agreements. As of January 2019 the District participates in the following joint programs and intergovernmental agreements:

Leyden Area Special Education Cooperative (LASEC)

Educational Benefit Cooperative

Norridge Park District

Eisenhower Library

Pennoyer School District 79

West 40 Intermediate Service Center #2

Board of Education of Ridgewood Community High School District No. 234

Leyden-Norwood Athletic Conference

LEGAL REF.:

Ill. Constitution, Art. VII, Sec. 10.

5 ILCS 220/, Intergovernmental Cooperation Act.

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1:30 School District Philosophy

Mission

The mission of Union Ridge School is to foster excellence in the academic, physical, and social-emotional development of every child. We seek to provide an orderly, trusting, and nurturing environment that works in full partnership with our families and community so that all children become responsible and productive citizens. All aspects of the school's organization, curricular, and co-curricular activities are designed to accommodate individual learning styles so that all may experience success.

We Believe:

- All students can learn and become productive members of society;
- Quality education for all students results from open communication and trust;
- Mutual respect and trust are essential for building productive human relationships;
- It is important to instill in students a sense of responsibility and respect for themselves, their school and their community.

CROSS REF: 2:10 (School District Governance), 3:10 (Goals and Objectives), 6:10 (Educational Philosophy and Objectives)

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