

SCHOOL BOARDS, SUPERINTENDENTS, AND COUNCILS

What do they do?

School Boards

- Adopt the school calendar – KRS 158.070(2)
- Set graduation requirements – KRS 158.140(2)
- Adopt a discipline code for all students – KRS 158.148(4)
- Expel students – KRS 158.150(5)
- Exercise “corporate” powers – KRS 160.160(1) and KRS 160.290
- Appoint the superintendent – KRS 160.290 and KRS 160.350
- Set qualifications, duties, and compensation of employees – KRS 160.290
- Generate various reports and adopt various policies – KRS 160.340
- Adopt a policy for implementing SBDM – KRS 160.345(2)
- Allocate adequate resources to each school – KRS 160.345(2)(g)
- Levy taxes – KRS 160.460
- Hold demotion hearings for administrators – KRS 161.765(2)(d)
- Grant leaves of absence to employees – KRS 161.770

Superintendents

- Appoint a director of pupil personnel – KRS 159.080(1)
- Perform all personnel actions – KRS 160.370; KRS 160.390(1)
- Termination of Employees
- Classified Employees – KRS 161.011
- Non-renewal of limited contracts – KRS 161.750
- Termination of Certified Staff - KRS 161.790
- Serve as executive agent of, and professional advisor to, the board – KRS 160.370
- Supervise and be responsible for all school operations – KRS 160.390(1)
- Appoint a school finance officer – KRS 160.431
- Report certified employee misconduct to the EPSB – KRS 161.120(2)
- Declare and implement a “reduction in force” – KRS 161.800

Site Based Decision Making Councils

- Set school policy, consistent with board policy, to enhance student achievement and meet state goals – KRS 160.345(2)(c)
- Determine the number of persons employed in each job classification in the school – KRS 160.345(2)(f)
- Select textbooks, instructional materials, and student services – KRS 160.345(2)(g)
- Select the principal when a vacancy occurs – KRS 160.345(2)(h)
- Determine curriculum – KRS 160.345(2)(i)(1)
- Assign all instructional and non-instructional staff time – KRS 160.345(2)(i)(1)
- Assign students to classes and programs – KRS 160.345(2)(i)(1)
- Determine the use of school space during the school day – KRS 160.345(2)(i)(1)
- Decide issues of instructional practice – KRS 160.345(2)(i)(1)
- Select and implement discipline practices – KRS 160.345(2)(i)(1)
- Select extracurricular programs and set participation rules – KRS 160.345(2)(i)(1)
- Set procedures for determining alignment with state standards – KRS 160.345(2)(i)(1)
- Develop procedures for consultation in selection of personnel – KRS 160.345(2)(i)(1)