

The Board of Education is the governing body over the schools in accordance with state law. Its recognition as the governing body provides that it has the following powers or duties:

- A. subject to the rules of the NM Public Education Department, develop educational policies for the school district;**
- B. employ a local superintendent for the school district and set the superintendent's salary;**
- C. review and approve the annual school district budget;**
- D. acquire, lease, and dispose of property;**
- E. have the capacity to sue and be sued;**
- F. acquire property by eminent domain pursuant to the procedures provided in the Eminent Domain Code [42A-1-1 NMSA 1978];**
- G. issue general obligation bonds of the school district;**
- H. provide for the repair of and maintain all property belonging to the school district;**
- I. for good cause and upon order of the district court, subpoena witnesses and documents in connection with a hearing concerning any powers or duties of the local school board;**
- J. except for expenditures for salaries, contract for the expenditure of money according to the provisions of the Procurement Code [13-1-28 NMSA 1978];**
- K. adopt rules pertaining to the administration of all powers or duties of the local school board;**
- L. accept or reject any charitable gift, grant, devise or bequest. The particular gift, grant, devise or bequest accepted shall be considered an asset of the school district or the public school to which it is given;**
- M. offer and, upon compliance with the conditions of such offer, pay rewards for information leading to the arrest and conviction or other appropriate disciplinary disposition by the courts or juvenile authorities of offenders in case of theft, defacement or destruction of school district property. All such rewards shall be paid from school district funds in accordance with rules promulgated by the Public Education Department; and**
- N. give prior approval for any educational program in a public school in the school district that is to be conducted, sponsored, carried on or caused to be carried on by a private organization or agency.**
- O. delegate supervisory, disciplinary, and instructional authority to the superintendent.**