

Legal Status of the Board

CORPORATE POWERS

1. The school district is under the management and control of the Board of Education consisting of five (5) members.
2. The Board is a body politic and corporate with perpetual succession.
3. The Board shall be known as the “**Board of Education of the Newport Independent Schools, Newport, Kentucky.**”
4. The Board may sue and be sued; make contracts; expend funds necessary for liability insurance premiums and for the defense of any civil action brought against an individual Board member in his official or individual capacity, or both, on account of an act made in the scope and course of his performance of legal duties as a Board member; purchase, receive, hold, and sell property; issue its bonds to build and construct improvements; and do all things necessary to accomplish the purposes for which it is created.¹

ELIGIBILITY OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

Interested high school seniors shall complete the Newport Independent Board of Education Student Representative application, including two teacher recommendations. The Selection Committee, composed of the high school principal, assistant principal, guidance counselor, and teacher will make their recommendation to the Superintendent and submit the nomination along with the application packet to the Superintendent. The District will approve the nomination and install the Student Representative at the regular October meeting.

Applications will be accepted beginning July 1st with a deadline to submit to a member of Selection Committee by August 31st each year.

TERM

Student will serve from October to the May board meeting.

UNEXPIRED TERMS

When a vacancy occurs in the Student Representative position, it will be filled by the Superintendent. The member so chosen shall hold office until the term expires.

IRREGULAR ATTENDANCE

Any Student Representative failing to attend two (2) meetings, unless excused by the Board for reason satisfactory to it, shall be removed from the Board of Education.

POWERS, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Student Representative will be a non-voting representative of the Board. The student will attend meetings of the Board but will not participate in the Closed Sessions. The Student Representative will present advocacy of the priorities of students in the Newport Independent School District.

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As required by law, the District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including sexual orientation or gender identity), genetic information, disability, age, or limitations related to pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions in its programs and activities and provides equal access to its facilities to ~~the Boy Scouts and other~~ designated youth groups.

Notice of the name, work address and telephone number of the Title IX Coordinator and the Section 504 Coordinator for the District shall be provided to employees, applicants for employment, students, parents/guardians, and other beneficiaries such as participants in activities offered to the public.

WEBSITE ACCESSIBILITY

The District is committed to ensuring accessibility of its website for students, employees, visitors, and members of the community with disabilities. All pages on the District's website shall conform to Level AA of the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.0 developed by the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) Web Accessibility Initiative (WAI), or updated equivalents of these guidelines.

Under District developed administrative procedures, students, parents, and members of the public may present a complaint regarding a violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Section 504 related to the accessibility of any official District web presence which is developed by, maintained by, or offered through the District or third party vendors and open sources.

REFERENCES:

¹KRS 160.160
KRS 160.370
KRS Chapter 344
Americans with Disabilities Act
Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
42 U.S.C. 200e, Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VII
20 U.S.C. 1681, Education Amendments of 1972, Title IX
Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008
20 U.S.C. § 7905 (Boy Scouts of America Equal Access Act)
Web Content Accessibility Guidelines
Bostock v. Clayton County, Georgia 140 S. Ct. 1731 (2020)
H.R. 1065 (EH) - Pregnant Workers Fairness Act

RELATED POLICIES:

03.113; 03.212; 03.162; 03.262
05.3; 09.13; 09.3211; 09.42811
10.5