## **Windham School District**

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## SCHOOL DISTRICT LEGAL STATUS

The legal basis for education is vested in the will of the people as expressed in the Constitution of New Hampshire, the statutes\* pertaining to education, court interpretation of these laws, the powers implied in them, and the rules and regulations of the State Board of Education.

In New Hampshire, school districts are political subdivisions of the State and, as such, are considered municipal corporations.

Board policies are established by the Board, which serves as an agent of the District. Funds for school operating expenses are approved by a majority of qualified voters present and voting at the annual School District meeting except that bond issues require a 60% vote under RSA40:13.

<u>Legal References:</u> New Hampshire Constitution, Pt. 2 Article 83; Claremont School District vs. Governor, 138 NH 183 (1993); RSA Chapter 33, Municipal Finance Act; RSA 194:2; RSA 195:6; RSA 197:1; RSA 40:13

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