

WHITESIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT 115

POLICY MANUAL

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School District Organization

1:010 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 having a population of not fewer than 1,000 and not more than 500,000.

The School Board 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 School Board)

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1:020 District Organization, Operations, and Cooperative Agreements

The District is organized and operates as follows:

Whiteside School District 115 is organized in an instructional pattern that will give students an opportunity to maximize their potential. The organizational pattern will not become so static that it is difficult to effect change as educational research provides greater insights into how children learn.

The District participates in the following joint programs:

The instructional plan of the District provides for an instructional program from prekindergarten through eighth grade. The District is also a member of Belleville Area Special Services Cooperative which provides curriculum extensions for the special student population and Belle Fair Conference which provides an extracurricular extension of school activities.

LEGAL REF.: 23 Ill Admin Code § 1.210

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1:030 School District Philosophy

The School District, in an active partnership with parents and community, will promote excellence in a caring environment in which all students learn and grow. This partnership shall empower all students to develop a strong self-esteem and to become responsible learners and decision-makers. The School District is committed to developing and using a visionary and innovative curriculum and a knowledgeable and dedicated staff.

CROSS REF: 6:10 (Educational Philosophy and Objectives)

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