

**Bylaws of the Board**

**Board Member Limits of Authority/Duties**

**Limits of Authority**

The Board of Education is the unit of authority. Apart from their function as part of the unit, Board members have no individual authority. Individually, the Board member may not commit the district to any policy, act or expenditure.

No individual member of the Board, by virtue of holding office, shall exercise any administrative responsibility with respect to the schools, nor as an individual command the services of any school employee.

The Board will make its members, the staff, and the public aware that only the Board has authority to take action.

**Duties**

It will be the duty of the individual members of the Board of Education to attend all legally called meetings of the Board, except for compelling reasons to the contrary; to participate in the normal business operations of the Board at the meetings; and to represent the interests of all the citizens of the school district in matters affecting the education of the children in the district.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-220 Duties of Boards of Education

10-232 Restrictions on employment of members of the Board of Education