

School District Organization

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 District 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.

The corporate name of this School District shall be “Board of Education of School District No. 122, County of Winnebago and State of Illinois” as provided by law, commonly known as the Harlem Consolidated School District.

The School Board is constituted as a group and has authority only as a group in regularly scheduled sessions. The members of the School Board as individuals are citizens only. The control over the school by the School Board is not by individual members, but through votes whereby rules, regulations, and policies are adopted, enforced, and decisions completed.

The School District strives to maintain the accreditation of the Harlem Schools by the Illinois State Board of Education. In addition, the high school maintains accreditation with the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

LEGAL REF.: Ill. Const., Art. X, Sec. 1.

105 ILCS 5/10-1 et seq. [Ill. Rev. Stat., ch. 122, ¶ 10-1 et seq.].

CROSS REF.: 2:10, 2:20

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