

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Legal Status and Operation

The Board of Trustees of Jerome Joint School District #261 is the governmental entity established by the State of Idaho to plan and direct all aspects of the District's operations to the end that students shall have ample opportunity to achieve their individual and collective learning needs and to provide a thorough system of education.

The District in its corporate capacity may sue and be sued and may acquire, hold, and convey real and personal property necessary to its establishment, extension and existence. The District shall have authority to issue negotiable coupon bonds and incur such other debt, in the amounts and manner, as prescribed by law.

The policies of the Board define the organization of the Board and the manner of conducting its official business. The Board's operating policies are those that the Board adopts from time to time to facilitate the performance of its responsibilities.

The Board adopts policies governing its own operations. In doing so, the Board prioritizes the following principles, aims and values:

1. Keep the best interests of each student in mind when conducting all District business;
2. In accordance with open meeting law, conduct meetings in an open and transparent matter;
3. Welcome community attendance at Board meetings and input on Board business;
4. Work to create a constructive atmosphere among Board members and within the broader community;
5. Strive to serve the best interests of the community and the Board's constituents while also representing the best interests of District;
6. Model continuous learning on how to be good and effective board members, gaining knowledge about issues affecting the District's schools and students;
7. Think and plan deliberately about how to achieve the District's goals by advancing the District's strategic plan.

Legal Reference:	I.C. § 33-301	School districts bodies corporate
	I.C. § 33-511	Maintenance of schools
	I.C. § 33-512	Governance of schools
	I.C. § 33-1612	Thorough system of public schools

Policy History:

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