

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 a special charter district organized under a special charter granted by the Illinois General Assembly February 15, 1865. The District is governed by the laws for school districts serving a resident population of not fewer than 1,000 and not more than 500,000.

The School District constitutes a body corporate, and its legal name is “Board of Education of the Rockford Public Schools, District No. 205, Winnebago and Boone Counties, Illinois.” It possesses all the usual powers of a corporation for public purposes, and in its legal 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, 2.20

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