DUTIES OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Part Ed 302 Duties of School Superintendents
Ed 302.01 Executive Officer

a) The Superintendent shall:

1. Serve as the executive officer of the local school district or districts within the school administrative unit (SAU);
2. Be responsible for the overall administrative and leadership services of the SAU;
3. Perform the duties specified in the section.

b) The superintendent shall be responsible for planning and managing the administrative and leadership services of the local school district or districts within the school administrative unit subject to statutory requirements, these rules, and the policies of the local districts

c) The administrative and leadership services shall be defined and directed by the governing body employing the superintendent. Such local district services shall include but are not limited to the following areas;

1. Personnel;
2. Finance;
3. Communication/community relations;
4. Student service;
5. Maintenance/capital improvement;
6. Curriculum;
7. Instruction;
8. Assessment;
9. Short and long range planning;
10. Governance for student achievement;
11. Policy research;
12. Implementation, and review; and
13. Overall leadership on educational issues.

d) The superintendent shall develop and maintain a system of public schools, staffed by certified educators, qualified professionals, and persons providing support services, subject to statutory requirements, these rules, and the policies of the local district(s).

e) The superintendent shall provide, develop and implement procedures to achieve educational objectives within the local school districts with the school administrative unit.
f) The superintendent shall be directly responsible to the local school district or districts within the school administrative unit board.

g) The superintendent may nominate for school administrative unit board appointment one or more assistants, including assistant superintendents, and business administrators. The superintendent may assign duties for the efficient management of the school administrative unit.

Ed 302.02 Substantive Duties. The Superintendent shall in addition to those duties outlined in Ed 302:01:

a) Nominate all certified staff and appoint other employees in accordance with state law, the rules of the state board and school board policies;

b) Direct and supervise the work of all employee of the district or districts within the school administrative unit and shall have all powers necessary to make such directions effective, as outlined in RSA 1904-C:4. While the superintendent has ultimate responsibility, he/she may delegate powers and duties to other personnel.

c) Be responsible for the selection and purchase of textbooks and all other supplemental materials and supplies in accordance with the policies of the school board and the state board and see that the same are distributed to the school, accurately accounted for and economically used;

d) Be responsible for developing and recommending to the school board or boards within the school administrative unit the annual budget for the support of the educational program and for the operation and maintenance of schools within the district or districts and the school administrative unit in accordance with school board policy;

e) Be responsible for developing and maintaining an accounting system and financial reporting procedures for all funds in accordance with local school board policy, and local and state laws;

f) Be responsible for the development of an educational plan including curriculum, instruction, and assessment programs for the district or districts and for recommending a program of studies suitable to the needs of the pupils and the community in accordance with local school board policies, state statutes and state board rules;

g) Remove a teacher or other employee of the district in accordance with RSA 189:31;

h) Recommend the dismissal of certified staff to the board, which has the authority to dismiss in accordance with RSA 189:13;

i) Provide for temporary staff to fill vacancies and provide supplies immediately needed for the operation of the schools;
j) Be responsible for maintaining records and filing reports as required by the state board of education and the local school boards;

k) Admit pupils to the resident school district in accordance with the laws of the state and the rules of the state board and policies of the local board;

l) Direct pupils to assigned classes and grades, consistent with local school board policies;

m) Maintain a safe environment for pupils free of hazardous conditions;

n) Be responsible for the evaluation of personnel and programs in accordance with local school board policies;

o) Be responsible for implementation of state board rules, which apply in the area of the superintendent’s jurisdiction;

p) Be responsible for developing and recommending to the school board or boards within the school administrative unit an annual maintenance program and long-term capital improvement plan;

q) Be responsible for the implementation and recommendation to the school boards or boards within the school administrative unit a community relations and communications program; and

r) Be responsible for the implementation and review of school district policies.

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