## SCHOOL COMMITTEE LEGAL STATUS

The school committee is the governing board of the town's public school system. Although it functions as a duly elected committee of town government, the school committee has--unlike other town boards--autonomous and absolute authority within limitations established by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to carry out the educational policies of the state and guide the educational process.

## LEGAL REFS.:

M.G.L. 41:1 and 71:37

Town of Littleton, vote of Special Town Meeting, January 17, 1944, sets School Committee at 5 members

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