

Henry County Board of Education and Superintendent

What are the duties of the Board of Education?



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The Board of Education is charged with providing schools and educational opportunities for the children of Henry County.

Specific Board duties include:

- Formulating policy and strategic planning
- Providing funds for school and system operations
- Adopting courses of study
- Prescribing standards for efficient and effective operation of schools and departments
- Providing for the planning, construction and maintenance of facilities
- Employing staff members and prescribing their duties and responsibilities
- Approving the budget, financial reports and major expenditures
- Appointing the Superintendent of Schools



Welcome
to a meeting of your
**Board of
Education**

Please visit the Henry County Schools website for a list of Board of Education meeting dates and times.

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What is the Henry County Board of Education?

The Henry County Board of Education is the governing body of the Henry County School System. The primary role of the Board is the legislation of school system policies, which are executed under the direction of the school system Superintendent. The Board's five members are elected to staggered, four-year terms from individual districts.

Is the Superintendent a member of the Board?

No. The Superintendent is appointed by the Board and serves as the Chief Executive Officer of the school system. The Superintendent, in conjunction with the Board Chairman, prepares the agenda for each Board meeting and is responsible for implementing the policies adopted by the Board.

When and where are meetings held? Am I invited?

Board of Education meetings are open to the public and are held in the Administrative Offices in McDonough.

The regular meeting of the Board is held at 7:00 p.m. on the second Monday of the month.

Board study sessions are held at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesdays preceding the regular meeting.

Special called meetings may be held after announcing this intention to the public.

Any change in meeting schedules will be made public.

How does the Board of Education make decisions?

At the Board study session, the Board receives information and engages in discussion on agenda items. Generally, the Board does not take action on these items at this meeting.

At the regular meeting of the Board, the Superintendent makes recommendations and each Board member votes on specific items listed on the meeting agenda.

Board meeting agendas are posted online at the Henry County Schools website.

May I address the Board of Education?

Citizens may be added to the Board study session agenda by contacting the Office of the Superintendent, in writing, no later than five working days prior to the meeting.

At the Board's regular meeting, citizens may sign in for "public participation" for the purpose of bringing information, questions or general concerns to the Board's attention.

When the public participation agenda item is reached, the Board Chairman will invite individuals to step to the podium to address the Board.

Please be aware that concerns or complaints of a sensitive nature involving individual students or staff members will not be aired in a public forum. Such matters must be addressed by the appropriate administrative staff.

If I address the Board, will I get an answer tonight?

The Board or Superintendent will provide an immediate response, if possible. Often, however, it is necessary for the administrative staff to obtain additional information in order for the Board and/or Superintendent to make an informed and appropriate decision. If this is the case, the Superintendent or designee will follow up with you in a timely manner.

What if I have a question or want additional information?

Most questions and requests for information are handled by the the Board's administrative staff. For assistance, please contact Henry County Schools at 770-957-6601.

Matters relating to an individual school or teacher should first be directed to the principal of that school.

General information about Henry County Schools, including news and events, financial reports, student enrollment and test scores, curriculum, calendar information, and student and parent resources may be accessed at the system website at www.henry.k12.ga.us.

Also, school-specific information is available via individual school websites.