

Board Legal Status

Body corporate—

As provided by Utah law, the Board of Education of [insert name of district adopting the policy] is a body corporate, and has an official seal conformable to its name. A “body corporate” is a public corporation and legal subdivision of the state, vested with the powers and duties of a government entity.

[Utah Code § 53A-3-401 \(2014\)](#)

Political subdivision of the State of Utah—

The Board of Education of [insert name of adopting district] School District is a political subdivision of the State of Utah.

[Utah Constitution, Article XI, Section 8](#)

Number of school board members—

[Option 1, for Districts which currently have 5 member boards]

The Board of Education of [insert name of adopting district] School District consists of five members. If the student population of the District hereafter increases to 10,000 or more students, as reported to the State Board of Education in the October 1 student count, the number of members on the Board shall increase to seven members and shall remain at seven members despite subsequent changes in student population.

[Utah Code § 20A-14-202\(1\) \(2016\)](#)

[Option 2, for Districts which currently have 7 member boards]

The Board of Education of [insert name of adopting district] School District consists of seven members.

[Utah Code § 20A-14-202\(1\) \(2016\)](#)