

Haverhill School Committee  
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COMMITTEE OPERATIONAL GOALS

The Haverhill School Committee is responsible to the people for whose benefit the school district has been established. Further, the Committee's current decisions will influence the course of education in the district's schools for years to come. By virtue of this responsibility, the Committee and each of its members must look to the future and to the needs of all the people.

The Committee's primary responsibility is to establish those purposes, programs, and procedures which will best produce the educational achievement needed by district students. It is charged with accomplishing this while also being responsible for wise management of resources available to the district. The Committee must fulfill these responsibilities by functioning primarily as a legislative body to formulate and adopt policy, by selecting a Superintendent of Schools to implement policy, budget, and by evaluating the results.

In accordance with these principles, the Committee through its mode of operation, shall seek to achieve the following goals:

1. To concentrate the Committee's collective effort on its policy-making and planning responsibilities.
2. To formulate Committee policies, which best serve the educational interests of each student and to provide challenging academic experience.
3. To provide the Superintendent with sufficient and adequate guidelines for implementing Committee policies.
4. To maintain effective communication with the public, the staff, and students in order to maintain awareness of attitudes, opinions, desires, and ideas.
5. To conduct Committee business openly, except where deemed appropriate, as permitted by law, to utilize the advantages of executive session.

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