



Balanced Calendar Learning & Networking Series  
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# What is the Role of the School Board?

- Governance
- Policy
- Budget



# What do the Washington State School Board Standards say?

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## Stewardship & Vision

- Benchmark 2b: Leading the development, articulation, and stewardship of a vision of learning that is shared and supported by schools and the community

### Examples:

- Read the research
- Hold board work sessions
- Network with other school board members
- Listen and learn



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## Collaboration with Families & Community (including staff)

- Benchmark 5a: Collaborating with families and community members, responding to diverse interests and needs, and mobilizing community resources

### Examples:

- Awareness campaign
- Listening sessions (students, staff, families, community)
- Special public comment
- Outreach to neighboring districts (joint board meetings?)



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## Policies & Procedures

- Benchmark 1d: Adopting policies based on well-researched practices that emphasize a belief that all students can achieve at high levels and that support continuous improvement of student achievement

### Examples:

- Policy on school calendar (check contracts)
- Policy on instructional materials
- Policy on academic supports



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## Budget & Resource Allocation

- Benchmark 3e: Adopting and monitoring an annual budget that allocates resources on the district's vision, goals and priorities for student learning

### Examples:

- Identify associated costs
- Examine impacts on SPED / Title I / LAP
- Transportation
- Food service



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## Commitment

- Benchmark 4a: Committing to continuous improvement in student achievement at each school and throughout the district

### Examples:

- Tour buildings
- Review data
- Promote successes
- Problem solve barriers (as board/superintendent team)



# What happens if your Board is in disagreement?







Questions???