

School Boards 101

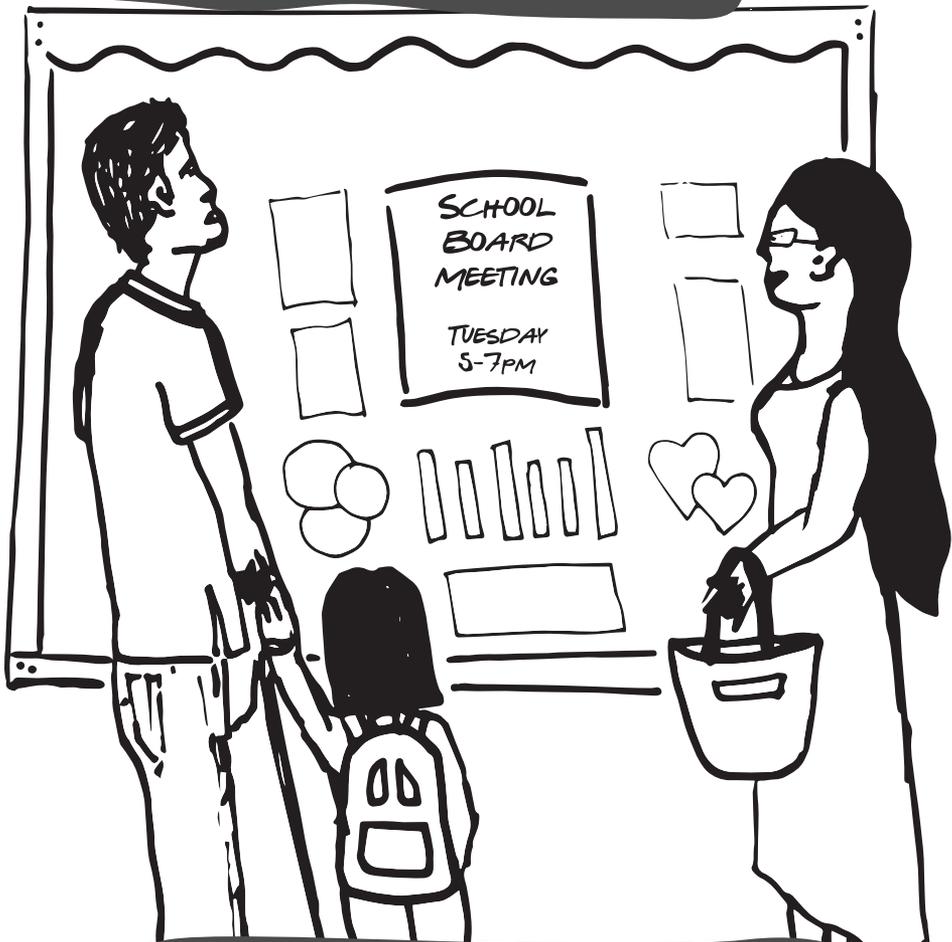


Impacting Your School District

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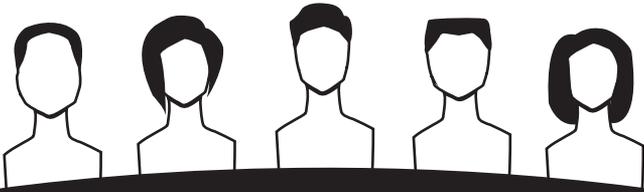


I always hear about the school board whenever I'm at a school.



But I'm not exactly sure what they do at the schools.

What is a school board?
And what do they do?



SCHOOL BOARD

Teacher Salaries & Benefits

Distribution of Resources

District Budget

Instruction

Long-Term Goals

These policies impact all schools in the district.



A school board is a group of people that oversees the superintendent of a school district. The superintendent supervises all of the principals in a school district.

A school board is made of elected volunteers who make important decisions about the school district.

District Patrons

The people who vote for School Board Directors. That's us!

School District Board of Directors

These are the people we elect to the school board.

District Superintendent

This is the person who oversees the district and its schools.

General Operations

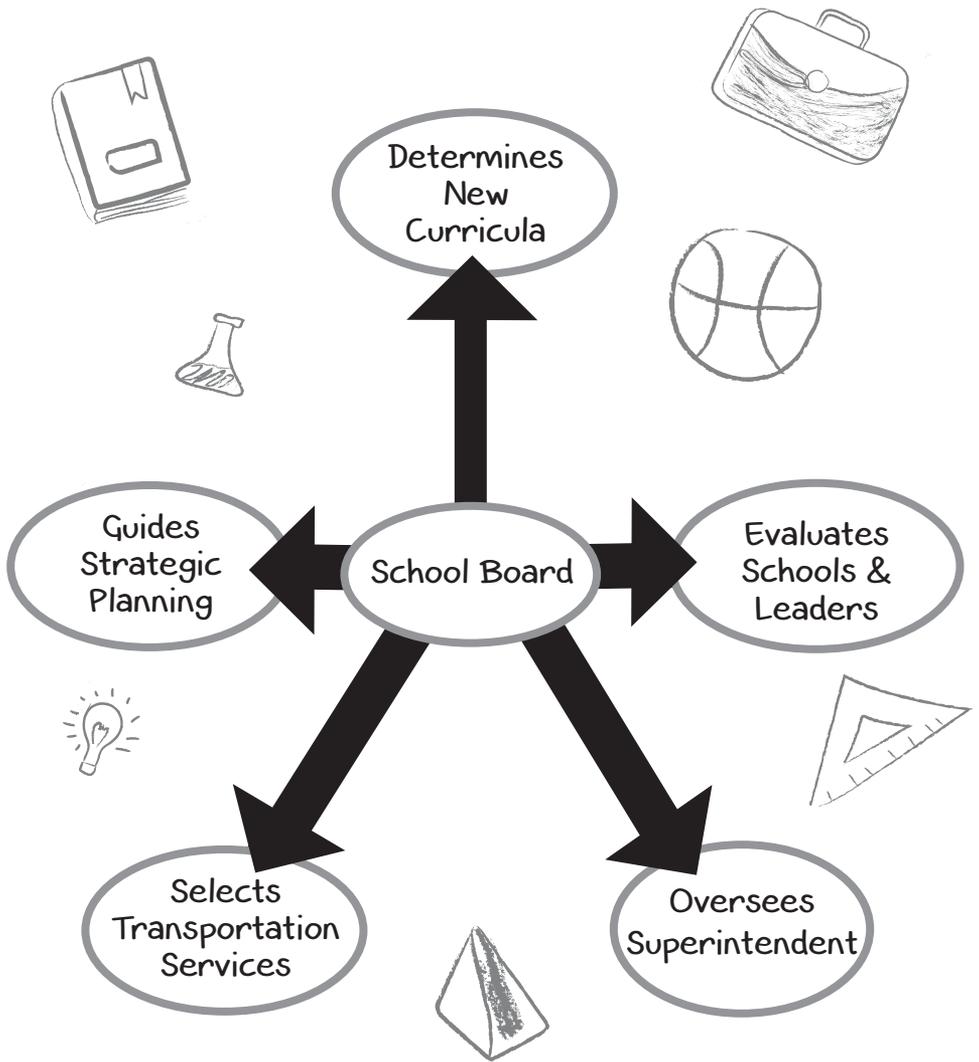
This can include things like:

- Human Resources
- Equity & Compliance
- Finance
- Logistics
- Technology Services
- Communication & Marketing

Curriculum & Instruction

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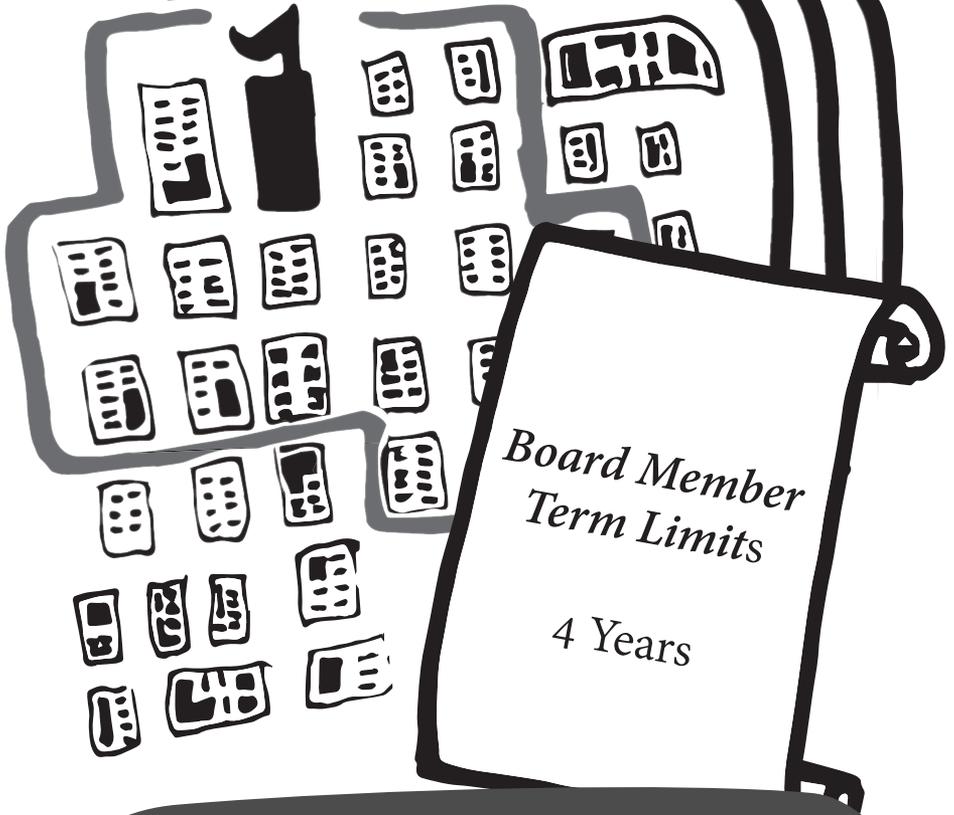
- Supervising School Principals
- Designing Curriculum
- Managing Federal Programs
- Student Assessment Measures
- Tracking Student Success
- Grants & Community Partners



School boards help to create and shape policies that impact the district. They also make sure that the superintendent does their job.

The people selected to be on the school board are elected by the people who live in the school district.

District
Boundaries



When people vote for a school board member, each member serves a term that usually lasts a few years before there is another election for their seat.

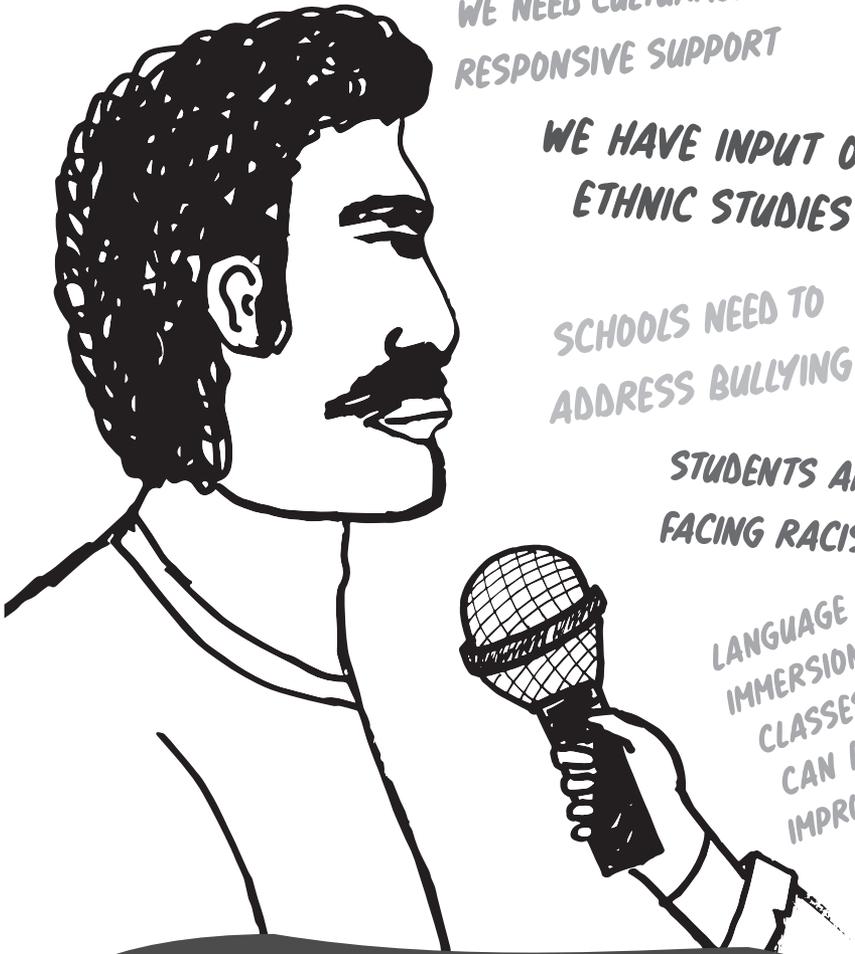
My community is full of diverse people.



But that's not what my local school board looks like.

What can I do to improve my local school board?

I can take my concerns directly to the school board.



*WE NEED CULTURALLY
RESPONSIVE SUPPORT*

*WE HAVE INPUT ON
ETHNIC STUDIES*

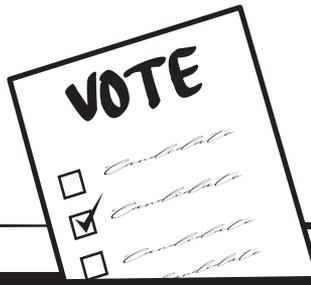
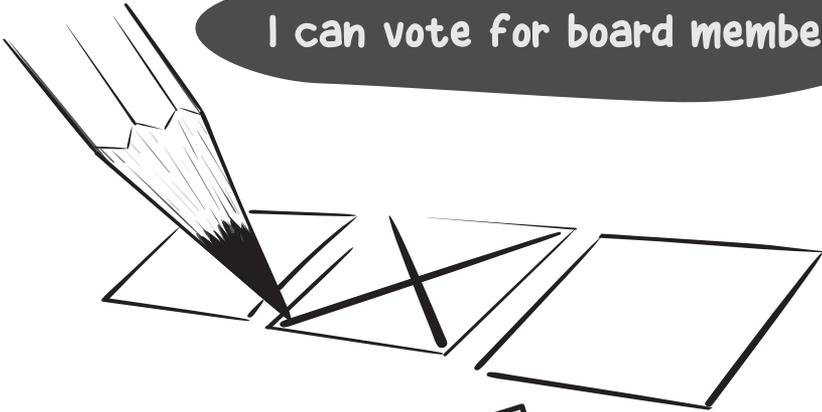
*SCHOOLS NEED TO
ADDRESS BULLYING*

*STUDENTS ARE
FACING RACISM*

*LANGUAGE
IMMERSION
CLASSES
CAN BE
IMPROVED*

School boards hold regular meetings that are open to the public. This is where community members voice their concerns to the school board in person.

I can vote for board members.



SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

With supportive school board members in office, we can pass policies that represent our communities. This is how we got Ethnic Studies curricula for K-12 classrooms in 2017.

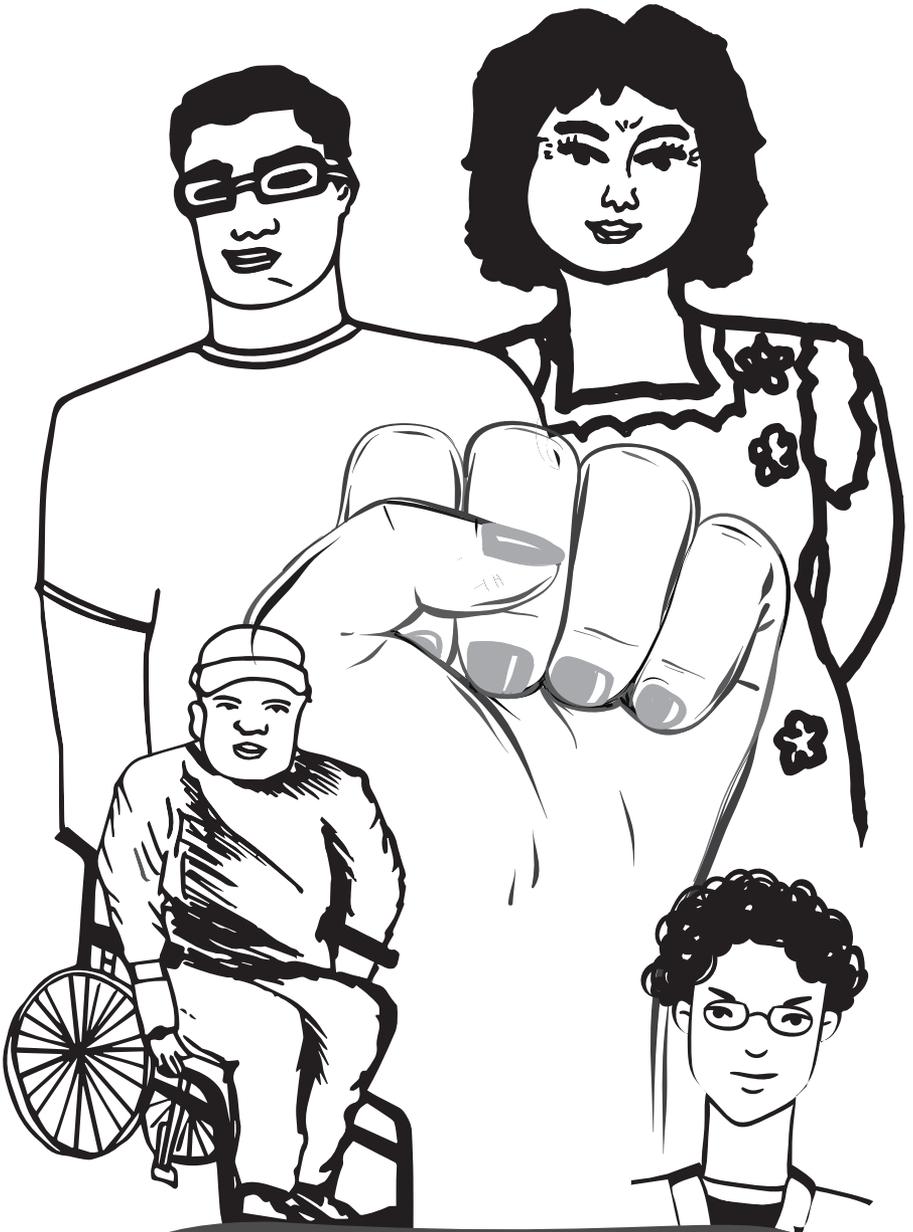
I can run for a seat on the school board.



In 2019, the majority of Oregon's school board candidates ran unopposed. I can run for my local school board to make sure my community is seen and represented.

The school board can make choices
about our district.





But the power is in
the hands of the people.

Your Local School District Guide

My Schools Are:

My School District Is:

Notes About My District

School Board: (Board representation, seats & vacancies, meetings, etc.)

My Priorities Are:

**I Think All Students
Should Have:**

Notes:

Notes: