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The Evergreen School Division is a corporation established by the Province of Manitoba, authorized to deliver appropriate public education for all students who reside in, or are otherwise the responsibility of, Evergreen School Division.

1. The members of the school board form a corporation called the Evergreen School Division (herein referred to as the Board).
2. The Evergreen School Division and Board operate under the terms of the Manitoba *Public Schools Act* and any other Provincial, Municipal or Federal legislation or regulations that may apply, and is guided by its own policy manual.
3. School trustees are elected under the conditions and regulations of the *Public Schools Act* to represent the public ownership of the school division as the voting members of the Board.
4. The number of elected school trustees, their term of office, and parameters for conduct shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Manitoba *Public Schools Act*, its *Preamble* and attendant regulations, and this *Board Policy Manual*.
5. Board By-Laws are binding upon the operations of the Evergreen School Division Board.
6. This policy manual and any attendant legislation and regulations are located at or through the Evergreen School Division central office in Gimli, Manitoba and on the Division website (www.esd.ca).

Legal References include: *The Public Schools Act*, *The Education Administration Act*, *The Safe Schools Charter*, *The Manitoba Human Rights Code*, *Appropriate Educational Programming*, *The Workplace Health and Safety Act*.