

BA SCHOOL BOARD LEGAL STATUS

BB CONSTITUTIONAL CONTROL GRANTED TO BOARDS

The Constitution of Colorado assigns to locally elected boards of education control of instruction in the public schools of their respective districts. As charged by the Constitution, the general assembly has provided for the organization of school districts, including the composition of district boards and the election of school directors.

Legally, then, local school boards are instruments of the state, and derive their power from the state constitution and acts of the general assembly. They also have responsibilities to the local citizenry they serve and by whom they are elected.

There are five (5) directors at large on the Board of Education of Miami/Yoder School District JT 60, each of whom is elected for a four (4) year term. The number of the members to be elected alternate three one year and two the next election.

LEGAL REFS: Constitution of Colorado, Article IX, Section 2,15
C.R.S. 22-31-105 (This section provides a district electorate with certain leeway in the number of directors and in the length of the term of office.)

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