

<b>SCHOOL DISTRICT OF GREEN LAKE POLICY</b>	<b>120 – School District Legal Status</b>
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The United States Constitution leaves to the individual states the responsibility for public education.

The constitution of the State of Wisconsin provides for the establishment of free district schools "which shall be as nearly uniform as practicable" and sets up the basis for school district organization and reorganization. The state legislature is given the power to create, dissolve, alter, and consolidate school districts.

The state constitution further provides for a state department of public instruction under the supervision of a state superintendent of public instruction, to provide leadership and services to local school districts.

The Green Lake School District is classified as a Common School District. It includes the following: City of Green Lake, Town of Brooklyn, Town of Saint Marie, Town of Green Lake, and portions of the Town of Princeton in Green Lake County.

The District is under the management and control of a locally-elected board, which governs the public schools in accordance with state law.

**LEGAL REF.: Wisconsin Constitution – Article X, Section 3 and Section 115.01(5) of the Wisconsin Statutes**

**CROSS REF.: 110, Board Governance Commitment and 150, Board Governance Process.**