



## SECTION I: BOARD OF EDUCATION 1010

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### OVCA Board of Directors: Governance Policy

The Oklahoma Virtual Charter School (“OVCA” or the “School”) Board of Directors (“Board”) is the governing body for the School with direct responsibility for the policies and operational decisions of the School. But while the **Board’s overall purpose is to govern** the School, it is **not tasked with running the School’s daily operations** (that duty belongs to the School’s Head of School and contract management company). In order to be successful, the Board has identified its **direct** and **indirect** duties, as well as its **primary responsibilities**:

#### Governance Duties:

- Academic Performance
  - The Board **indirectly** governs the School’s academic success through its oversight and evaluation of the School’s contract management company and the Head of School.
- Financial Performance
  - The Board **directly** governs the School’s finances by developing and maintaining a balanced budget and ensuring adequate resources.
- Legal Compliance
  - The Board is **directly** responsible for its ability to comply with the various laws applicable to Oklahoma charter schools and public bodies.
  - The Board is **indirectly** responsible for the School’s ability to comply with the various laws applicable to public schools through its creation and enforcement of school, student, and employee policies.

#### Governance Responsibilities:

- **Primary**
  - Hire, support, and evaluate the contract management company.
  - Strategically plan for the School’s future through policy, and goal setting.
  - Maintain legal and ethical integrity and provide financial oversight.
  - Develop and maintain an effective and competent Board.
  - Serve as the School’s ambassador to the community and greater public.
  - Uphold the promises made in the charter contract with the authorizer.

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