

SCHOOL DISTRICT LEGAL STATUS

The United States Constitution leaves to the individual states the responsibility for public education.

In South Dakota, the legislature is charged by the constitution “to establish and maintain a general and uniform system of public schools” which is open to all children and free from sectarian control. The constitution outlines the responsibilities of the State Board of Education which is responsible for the adoption of all policies for the government of the Division of Education and for the adoption and implementation of regulations for supervising the elementary and secondary schools.

The school district is organized under the laws of the State of South Dakota and has the legal name of Wall School District #51-5. The district serves approximately a 1,263 square mile area including the communities of Wall, Quinn, Wasta, Creighton, and Scenic.

The school district exists for the purpose of operating a school or schools to provide the people of each community adequate opportunity to avail themselves of a free public elementary and secondary education program.