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## District Name, Composition and Classification

### Name

This Education Service District shall be known as "High Desert Education Service District (HDES)". The governing Board of the High Desert Education Service District shall be known as the "High Desert Education Service District Board of Directors", and referred to commonly as the "Board." Its members shall be known as "Directors."

### Composition

The High Desert Education Service District shall comprise all the area known as Deschutes County, Crook County and that portion of Jefferson County included in the Redmond School District as outlined by the High Desert and Jefferson County Education Service Districts. The district shall include the schools of Administrative School District #1, Redmond District #2J, Sisters School District #6 and Crook County Unit.

### Classification

The High Desert Education Service District shall be defined as an education service district assisting the local school districts which serve students of grades K-12 to provide equal education opportunities of maximum effectiveness.

### District Authority

1. The High Desert Education Service District exists under mandate of Oregon law to enhance the education of children in Crook and Deschutes counties by providing professional services planned in consultation with local school districts in Crook and Deschutes counties.
2. All programs and services conducted by the High Desert Education Service District, its Board and its staff shall conform to the requirements of federal and state laws, Oregon Administrative Rules, adopted Board policies and approved, written district procedures. Absent laws, rules, policies and procedures, the Board shall rely on the professional judgment of staff, subject to elective review of the Board.
3. The Board shall be responsible for:
  - A. Performing all duties required by law (ORS 334.125);
  - B. Setting policies governing the operation of the High Desert Education Service District;
  - C. Hiring a superintendent and staff to carry out its policies (ORS 334.225);
  - D. Overseeing the implementation of its policies;
  - E. Providing resources for the operation of the district program as specified in Oregon laws.

END OF POLICY

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Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 255.335](#)  
[ORS 334](#) et seq.

Article VIII, Section 3, Oregon Constitution