

# *Helping Plant Seeds of Success*

## *School Board Recognition Week*

### *March 16<sup>th</sup> ~ March 20<sup>th</sup>*

School boards help plant the seeds of success. School board members are ordinary people who have an extraordinary dedication to our public schools. It is time we thanked them for their untiring efforts. Too often we forget about the many personal sacrifices school board members routinely make to serve in their valued role in the tradition of our representative democracy. Too often the efforts of school board members go unrecognized and unrewarded.

We can begin to correct these oversights this March, which is School Board Recognition Month. This is a time to show our appreciation and to begin to better understand how school board members work together to provide leadership for our schools. The school board works closely with parents, education professionals and community members to create the educational vision we want for our students. It formulates goals, defines results and sets the course for an adequate and equitable educational program for all students. The school board is accountable to the public. It is responsible for assuring the public that the money allocated to the public schools is providing a good return on the investment. Thus, the board oversees regular assessment of the district's students, staff and programs. The school board also is a strong advocate for public schools and is responsible for communicating the needs of the school district to the public and the public's expectations to the district.



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