

Where to get advice and support

You don't need to navigate complex governance questions alone - find out where to get support that is focused on the state integrated school context.

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Partners and Support

Key Partnerships

State integrated schools are communities of partnership. The three core partners are the **Proprietor**, the **Ministry of Education**, and the **School Board**. Each partner holds a legal responsibility to maintain the school's special character and to work collaboratively for the benefit of students and the school community.

Ensure your board co-designs and agrees to an MOU with the proprietor. This is a key mechanism for ensuring clarity and transparency.

Support Network

It is important to know who is there to support and guide you in your role as a school board member. The following organisations are available to assist:

- **New Zealand School Boards Association (NZSBA)** – governance training and support for all school boards.
- **Ministry of Education** – policy guidance, funding information, and legislative compliance support.
- **APIS** – free advice and support, training, and workshops specifically for state integrated school proprietors and boards.



Build Relationships Early

Establish open communication with your Proprietor, fellow board members, and the Ministry of Education from the outset of your governance role.



Use the Resources Available

The APIS Governance Manual, Proprietor Handbook, policy templates, and MOU frameworks are all available to support your board's effective operation.



Know Where to Get Help

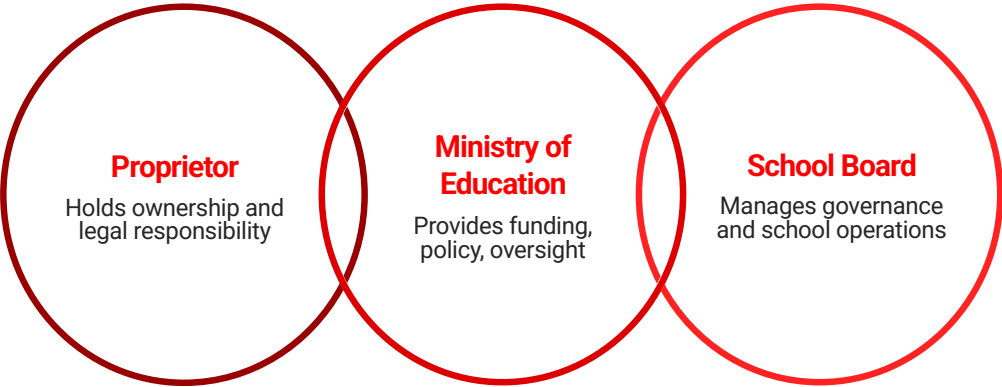
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