The Burlington School District can be defined as a City School District. It is created by the Burlington City Charter.

The school district is governed and operated by applicable state law pertaining to education laws pertaining to municipal corporations, regulations of the state board, and the Burlington City Charter. (Established by law 16 VSA 551)

The governing board of the School District is the Burlington Board of School Commissioners. The Burlington City Charter governs its composition.

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- September 7, 1999  Policy reviewed
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