MOBOCES PROVIDES A SERVICE WHEN TWO OR MORE DISTRICTS REQUEST IT. FOR ACHIEVING COST EFFECTIVENESS OR ADDITIONAL EXPERTISE.

SCHOOL DISTRICTS INDEPENDENTLY DECIDE TO PURCHASE BOCES SERVICES. EVEN AFTER PURCHASE, THEY ARE NOT OBLIGATED BEYOND A SINGLE YEAR.

COLLABORATION
MOBOCES SERVICES ARE PLANNED, DELIVERED, AND EVALUATED WITH DISTRICTS ALLOWING FOR LOWER COST ALTERNATIVES OR HIGHER YIELD, TAILORED RESULTS.

FOCUSED ON RESULTS
MOBOCES MANAGEMENT SERVICES DO WHATEVER IS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE PARTICIPANTS WITH THE MEANS, KNOWLEDGE AND OPPORTUNITY TO ACHIEVE THEIR GOALS.

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BEST PRICES ON MATERIALS ARE OBTAINED EITHER BY BID OR VOLUME PURCHASE.

ANTICIPATING NEED
NUMEROUS STATE AND LOCAL EDUCATION CONTACTS ALLOW MOBOCES TO ANTICIPATE EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DEVELOP SERVICES TO ADDRESS THEM.

STAFF IS EMPLOYED BY MOBOCES AND SHARED BY DISTRICTS UTILIZING THE SERVICE.

PROBLEM SOLVING
IN THE EVENT OF ANY TYPE OF CONCERN OR PROBLEM, RESOLUTION IS ACCOMPLISHED QUICKLY, DIRECTLY AND COLLABORATIVELY.

PRICE STABILITY
SERVICE AGREEMENTS PROTECT PARTICIPATING DISTRICTS FROM COST VARIATIONS.

PRIORITIES
MANAGEMENT SERVICES MUST BE FINANCIALLY SOUND, BUT THE PRIORITY IS ALWAYS TO ADDRESS EDUCATIONAL NEEDS RATHER THAN REALIZE PROFIT.

BENCHMARKING AND COMPETITION
IN ORDER TO CONTINUE OFFERING A PARTICULAR MANAGEMENT SERVICE, MOBOCES MUST DELIVER QUALITY AND COST EFFECTIVENESS COMPARABLE TO: THE PRIVATE SECTOR, SCHOOL DISTRICTS THEMSELVES AND, IN SOME CASES, OTHER BOCES.

MOBOCES MANAGEMENT SERVICES MUST BE VERY GOOD AT EVERYTHING THEY ARE ENTRUSTED TO DO, OR THEY WILL NO LONGER EXIST.
MOBOCES BASICS

Management Services

**TAXES**
MOBOCES **DOES NOT** HAVE THE ABILITY TO **LEVY** TAX OF ANY KIND.

**STATE AID**
BOCES ITSELF **DOES NOT RECEIVE STATE AID.**
It serves as a means for local schools to receive State Education Aid.

**MOBOCES ADOPTS A BALANCED BUDGET**
The BOCES initial budget and rates are based on the anticipated demand and the resources necessary to deliver those services.

**Funds received by MOBOCES that are not spent are returned to schools**
At the end of each fiscal year refunds are issued as a one-time revenue source and used by districts for daily operations or to **REDUCE THE TAX LEVY.**

**Audits**
Every BOCES is subject to an **ANNUAL INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL AUDIT,** must employ the services of an **INTERNAL AUDITOR,** and is also subject to **AUDITS BY THE Office of the State Comptroller.**

**Purchasing**
MOBOCES cannot purchase most materials without a **QUOTE, BID, OR CONTRACT,** assuring the lowest cost for all materials is all that is expended.

**Staffing**
MOBOCES programs **EMPLOY STAFF BASED ON ANNUAL DEMAND.**
When there is less demand than anticipated, BOCES reduces staff. If demand is higher and BOCES can deliver those services with existing staff, it does, lowering the cost for all districts requesting that service.

MOBOCES Programs and Services do not spend funds simply because they are budgeted, unused funds are returned to purchasers of the service.