SCHOOL YEAR/SCHOOL CALENDAR

The school calendar for the ensuing year will be prepared by the Superintendent and then submitted to the School Committee for approval annually.

The number of days or instructional hours scheduled for the school year will be determined in accordance with the following standards set by the Massachusetts Board of Elementary and Secondary Education:

- 1. Elementary school will operate for a minimum of 180 days. Schools shall ensure that every elementary and middle school student is scheduled to receive a minimum of 900 hours per school year of structured learning time, as defined in 603 CMR 27.02. Time which a student spends at school breakfast and lunch, passing between classes, in homeroom, at recess, in non-directed study periods, receiving school services, and participating in optional school programs shall not count toward meeting the minimum structured learning time requirement for that student.
- 2. Secondary schools will operate for a minimum of 180 days. All schools shall ensure that every secondary school student is scheduled to receive a minimum of 990 hours per school year of structured learning time, as defined in 603 CMR 27.02. Time which a student spends at school breakfast and lunch, passing between classes, in homeroom, at recess, in non-directed study periods, receiving school services, and participating in optional school programs shall not count toward meeting the minimum structured learning time requirement for that student.

The calendar shall consist of 180 teaching days, one day before the start of school for orientation and one day for a professional day for a total of 182 (days are contiguous.)

For the information of staff, students, and parents/guardians, the calendar will set forth the days schools will be in session; holidays and vacation periods; professional development days; and parent conferences.

LEGAL REFS: M.G.L. 4:7; 69:1G; 71:1; 71:4; 71:4A; 71:73; 136:12

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