

Instruction

SCHOOL CALENDAR

For each district school, the Governing Board shall adopt a school calendar that meets the requirements of law as well as the needs of the community, students, and the work year as negotiated with the district's employee organization(s). As appropriate, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the proposed calendar is aligned with assessment and accountability schedules in order to support the district's goals for student achievement.

Each school calendar shall show the beginning and ending school dates, legal and local holidays, staff development days, orientation days, minimum days, vacation periods, and other pertinent dates.

The district shall offer a minimum of 175 days of instruction per school year, until it equals or exceeds the local control funding formula target established for it pursuant to Education Code 42238.02, at which time it shall offer 180 days or more of instruction per school year. (Education Code 41420, 46208)

However, district schools on a multitrack year-round schedule may be maintained for a minimum of 163 instructional days in accordance with Education Code 37670.

Staff development days shall not be counted as instructional days.

Notification of the schedule of minimum days and student-free staff development days shall be sent to all parents/guardians at the beginning of the school year. If any minimum days or student-free staff development are added to the schedule, the Superintendent or designee shall notify parents/guardians of the affected students as soon as possible and at least one month before the scheduled minimum day. (Education Code 48980)

If a school will be used as a polling place on an election day, the Board shall determine whether to continue school in session, designate the day for staff training and development, or close the school to students and nonclassified staff. (Elections Code 12283)

- (cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)
- (cf. 4143/4243 - Negotiations/Consultation)
- (cf. 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program)
- (cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)
- (cf. 6112 - School Day)
- (cf. 6115 - Ceremonies and Observances)
- (cf. 6117 - Year-Round Schedules)
- (cf. 6177 - Summer School)
- (cf. 1431 - Waivers)

SCHOOL CALENDAR (continued)

- (cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
- (cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
- (cf. 4331- Staff Development)
- (cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)
- (cf. 1400 - Relations Between Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
- (cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 37200-37202 School calendar
- 37220-37223 Holidays
- 37600-37672 Continuous school programs: year-round schools, especially:
- 37618 School calendar
- 37700-37711 Four-day week
- 41420 Apportionment withholding, schools not maintained for 175 days
- 41422 Schools not maintained for 175 days
- 42238.02 Local control funding formula
- 46200-46206 Incentives for longer instructional day and year
- 46300 Method of computing ADA
- 48980 Notice at beginning of term

ELECTIONS CODE

- 12283 School closures, election days

COURT DECISIONS

- Butt v. State of California, (1992) 4 Cal 4th 668
- PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS BOARD DECISIONS
- Davis Joint Unified School District, (1984) PERB Decision No. 474

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

- CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>
- California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>
- California Public Employment Relations Board: <http://www.perb.ca.gov>
- Secretary of State's Office: <http://www.sos.ca.gov>

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