

INSTRUCTION

SUBJECT: 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.

(cf. 6162.51 - State Academic Achievement Tests)

(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)

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.

(cf. 6115 - Ceremonies and Observances)

(cf. 6177 - Summer Learning Programs)

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)

(cf. 1431 - Waivers)

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 days 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)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

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. 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

37700-37712 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

46200-46208 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>