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Policy Manual

Section

Board

Title

School Year/School Calendar

Code

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Status

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The school calendar for the following school year is prepared by the Superintendent and presented to the Board for approval. The number of hours scheduled for students meets or exceeds the requirements of State law.

The calendar sets forth the days and hours schools are in session, holidays, vacation periods, in-service training days, teacher orientation days and days of reports to parents.

In preparing the calendar, the Superintendent may provide opportunities for members of the staff to offer suggestions before recommending a calendar to the Board for final consideration and adoption.

In accordance with State law, prior to making any changes to scheduled days or hours, the Board works with career-technical schools in which any of the District's high school students are enrolled, and community schools and chartered nonpublic schools to which the District is required to transport students.

The number of hours in each school year that school is scheduled to be open for instruction will not be reduced from the number of hours per year school was open for instruction during the previous school year, unless the reduction is approved by a Board-adopted resolution.

At least 30 days before adoption, the Board holds a public hearing on the school calendar, addressing topics including the total number of hours in the school year, length of the school day, and beginning and end dates of instruction. The public hearing on the school calendar may be a separate, individual hearing or be part of another public hearing or Board meeting.

Legal References

ORC 3313.48 ORC 3313.62 ORC 3313.63

CONTRACT REF.: Teachers' Negotiated Agreement

Cross References

EBCD - Emergency Closings

NOTE: When a policy covers two topics that appear consecutively in the codification system, the codes and headings can be combined, as shown above.

The category "School Year" is designed for policies about the year for students, rather than the working year for teachers or other staff.

House Bill (HB) 59 (Budget Bill) of 2013 modified the definition of "minimum school year" and required school districts to be open for a certain number of hours, instead of a certain number of days.