

SCHOOL YEAR/TIME ON LEARNING

The school calendar for the ensuing year will be prepared by the Superintendent and 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:

- Elementary school will operate for a minimum of 180 days. Schools shall ensure that elementary school students grades 1-5 are scheduled to receive a minimum of 900 hours per school year of structured learning time, as defined in regulation. Kindergarten students are scheduled to receive a minimum of 425 instructional hours per school year.
- Secondary schools will operate for a minimum of 180 days. 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 regulation.

For the information of staff, students, and parents, the calendar will set forth the days schools will be in session; holidays and vacation periods; and in service days.

SOURCE: MASC October 2016

LEGAL REFS.: M.G.L. 4:7; 69:1G; 71:1; 71:4; 71:4A; 71:73; 136:12 603
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