

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The Board of Directors will establish, on the recommendation of the Superintendent, an official school calendar for the ensuing school year, not later than the Board of Directors' regular February meeting. The Board of Directors will approve the school calendar before personnel contracts are issued for the ensuing year; the calendar will become an official part of these contracts.

The Superintendent of Schools is responsible for developing an official school calendar to be submitted to the Board of Directors. The calendar will include the number of student days, the number of work days for staff members, snow make up days, and days designated as holidays, vacation days, and staff non-teaching days (in-service days). The calendar will be consistent with the existing statutes and state board of education directives.

As much as possible, community and staff desires will be considered in designing the calendar. Committees may be appointed to assist the Superintendent, and the Superintendent may consult with neighboring districts to coordinate calendars as much as possible.

The school academic year for students shall be a minimum of 180 days in the school calendar. The school academic year for students shall begin on any day during the week in which September 1st falls. School district personnel may be required to report to school prior to this date.

The minimum length of the school calendar shall be two-hundred days and may be operated any time during the school year of July 1 through June 30 as defined by section 279.10 of the Code. A minimum of one-hundred eighty days of the school calendar beginning no sooner than established by state law shall be used for student instruction with these days meeting the definition of "day of school" in section 3.2(2), "minimum school day" in section 3.2(3) and "day of attendance" in section 3.2(4). Of the remaining days in the school calendar a minimum of twenty days exclusive of vacation and holidays shall be used as determined by the Board of Directors for other educational purposes involving instructional and non-instructional staff. All staff may, but do not have to be present during these days.

The Board of Directors has the prerogative to amend the school calendar when it is determined to be in the best interest of the school district.

LEGAL REFS: Code of Iowa, Chapter 279.10, 20.9, 442.26A (1989)
670 Iowa Admin. Code 3.2(1), 3.2(11), 3.3(5)
281 Iowa Admin. Code 12.2(1), 2(2) New Standards

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