



6031.1: SCHOOL DAY FOR STUDENTS

In designing the school day, the following considerations are to be met:

I. The learning activities are to be carefully guided and supervised.

II. Opportunities shall be provided so as to receive assistance from teachers outside of the regular school day.

III. Instructional hour for K-12 means a period of time, at least sixty (60) minutes, which is actually used for the instruction of students.

Instructional hour in a preschool program means a period of time, at least sixty (60) minutes, which is used for teaching in the following areas of children's growth and learning: social-emotional development; cognitive learning in the areas of language and literacy; mathematics, science and problem-solving; creative arts; health and nutrition; and physical and motor development. Meal or snack time is a part of the program curriculum and provides opportunities for learning and social development, as well as nutrition, and therefore is included as part of the instructional time.

IV. The instructional hours per full school day will be up to six and three-quarter ($6\frac{3}{4}$) hours in the elementary schools and up to seven (7) hours in the secondary schools. An alteration of the school day shall be subject to the approval of the Office of the Superintendent.

V. Parents of students and the general public shall be informed of the reasons for the variations which may exist in the times designated for the beginning and ending of the school day.

VI. High school students shall take a minimum of four (4) classes (two in block) each semester.

VII. Early dismissal to facilitate student employment shall be limited to course- related work study and/or internship programs. Exceptions due to hardship may be granted by the building principal or their designee.

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Related Policies and Rules

[5550.1: Open/Closed Campus](#)

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Legal Reference

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