

Section 600 – Instruction
General Organization
School Calendar

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The school calendar shall accommodate the education program of the school district. The school calendar shall accommodate instruction for a minimum of 1,080 hours for students in grades nine through twelve, 1,032 hours for students in grades one through eight, and 400 hours for students in kindergarten. The school calendar shall include, but need not be limited to, days for student instruction, staff development, in-service days and teacher conferences.

A school calendar will be established each year that meets the laws of the State of Nebraska and the regulations of the Nebraska Department of Education.

Unless an emergency occurs the regular school term shall include a minimum of 175 days when pupils are in attendance. Any dismissal of classes during the school year shall be approved by the superintendent of schools.

Special education students may attend school on a school calendar different from that of the regular education program consistent with their Individualized Education Program.

The board, in its discretion, may excuse graduating seniors from up to five days of instruction after the school district requirements for graduation have been met. The board may also excuse graduating seniors from making up days missed due to inclement weather if the student has met the school district's graduation requirements.

It shall be the responsibility of the superintendent to develop the school calendar for recommendation, approval, and adoption by the board annually.

The board may amend the official school calendar when the board considers the change to be in the best interests of the school district's education program.

Legal Reference: Neb. Statute 79-211
 NDE Rule 10.012.01B

Cross Reference: 503 Student Attendance
 604.03 Special Education