

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The District's schools shall be open for instruction with pupils in attendance, including scheduled classes, supervised activities, and approved education options, but excluding lunch and breakfast periods and extracurricular activities, for not less than the number of hours required by O.R.C. §3313.48.

In accordance with Ohio law and the procedures set forth in applicable collective bargaining agreements, the Superintendent shall recommend a school calendar for adoption by the Board of Education. Not later than 30 days prior to the adoption of such school calendar, the Board of Education shall hold a public hearing on the school calendar, addressing topics that include, but are not limited to, the total number of hours in a school year, length of school day, and beginning and end dates of instruction.

No school operated by the District shall reduce the number of hours in each school year that it is scheduled to be open for instruction from the number of hours per year the school was open for instruction during the previous school year unless the reduction is approved by a resolution adopted by Board. Any reduction so approved shall not result in fewer hours of instruction per school year than the applicable number of hours required under O.R.C. §3313.48.

Impact on Joint Vocational School Districts

Prior to making any change in the hours or days in which the District's high school is open for instruction, the Board shall consider the compatibility of the proposed change with the scheduling needs of any joint vocational school district in which any of the high school's students are also enrolled. The Board shall consider the impact of the proposed change on student access to the instructional programs offered by the joint vocational school district, incentives for students to participate in career-technical education, transportation, and the timing of graduation. The Board shall also provide the joint vocational school district board with advance notice of the proposed change and shall enter into a written agreement prescribing reasonable accommodations to meet the scheduling needs of the joint vocational school district prior to implementation of the change.

Impact on Community Schools

Prior to making any change in the hours or days in which a District school is open for instruction, the Board shall consider the compatibility of the proposed change with the scheduling needs of any community school to which the District is required to transport students. The Board shall consider the impact of the proposed change on student access to the instructional programs offered by the community school, transportation, and the timing of graduation. The Board shall provide the sponsor, governing authority, and operator of the community school with advance notice of the proposed change, and the Board and the governing authority, or operator if

such authority is delegated to the operator, shall enter into a written agreement prescribing reasonable accommodations to meet the scheduling needs of the community school prior to implementation of the change.

Impact on Chartered Nonpublic Schools

Prior to making any change in the hours or days in which the District's schools are open for instruction, the Board shall consult with the chartered nonpublic schools to which the District is required to transport students and shall consider the effect of the proposed change on the schedule for transportation of those students to their nonpublic schools.

LEGAL REFS: O.R.C. §§3313.48

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