Fairfield Public Schools Board of Education Policy Guide

Instruction

STUDENT CALENDAR

The Superintendent of Schools or designee shall recommend school calendars meeting all statutory requirements to the Board of Education for its review, modification as it believes appropriate, and approval.

The calendars recommended to the Board may include the operation of schools on State holidays, except for those holidays that occur in December and January (Christmas Day, New Year's Day, and Martin Luther King Jr. Day).

The first day of school for students shall not be prior to the last Monday in August, inclusive of student orientation. The last day of school for students shall be no later than the Friday before the last Friday in June, inclusive of a minimum of five (5) snow days.

The school calendar shall show school days in each school month, the number of school days in each month, adopted legal and local holidays, staff development days, early closing days, academic breaks, contingency make-up dates for possible emergency closings, and other pertinent dates.

The Board may establish for any school year a firm graduation date which is no earlier than the one-hundred and eightieth day in the adopted school calendar. The graduation date shall be set in March by the Board.

Legal Reference:	Connecticut General Statutes
	 1-4 Days designated as legal holidays. 10-15 Towns to maintain schools, as amended by PA 11-85, An Act Concerning the Achievement Gap. 10-29a Certain days to be proclaimed by governor. Distribution and number of proclamations. 10-261 Definitions. 10-161 Establishment of graduation date. 10-233j Student possession and use of telecommunication devices. PA 13-247, An Act Implementing Provisions of the State Budget for the Biennium Ending June 30, 2015 Concerning General Government, Sections 321-324. PA 14-38, An Act Concerning the Recommendations of the Uniform Regional School Calendar Task Force.

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