

## **Instruction**

### **SCHOOL DAY**

**6112**

#### **Grades K-12**

The Superintendent of Schools shall ensure that:

- The school year provides a minimum of nine hundred (900) hours of actual schoolwork; in meeting this requirement, no more than seven (7) hours of actual schoolwork on a given day shall be credited toward meeting the nine hundred (900) hour minimum.
- In case of an early school closing or delayed opening because of weather, the district will still provide a minimum of nine hundred (900) hours of actual school work by the conclusion of the school year.
- Should it be necessary to consider alternative scheduling in any single school year because of unusual circumstances, which could interfere with fulfilling the one hundred eighty (180) day school year State requirement, the Superintendent or designee shall recommend to the Board a plan for alternative scheduling to be transmitted to the State Board of Education for its consideration and possible approval.

In complying with statutory requirements for a minimum of nine hundred (900) hours per year, the Superintendent shall exclude from the definition of actual school work that time provided for homeroom, opening/closing exercises, lunch/snack, recess, and passing time.

#### **Special Education**

Unless otherwise specified in a child's individualized education program, the minimum day and year for a child requiring special education and related services shall be the same as that for a child in the regular education program.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes  
10-15 Towns to maintain schools  
10-16 Length of school day (as amended by PA 95-182 An Act Concerning Reduction of Education Mandates)  
10-16b Prescribed courses of study  
10-220 Duties of boards of education  
10-15 Towns to maintain schools. (as amended by P.A. 11-85, An Act Concerning the Achievement Gap)  
10-16(I) Graduation exercises (as amended by PA 19-195)  
Action of SBE on August 11, 2020, to authorize shortening of the school year.

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