

SCHOOL DAY

The length of the school day shall be established and authorized yearly. It will be determined in accordance to the following standards set by the Massachusetts Board of Education:

1. Elementary Schools: A school day shall be a day on which a school is open to all students enrolled therein; and all students receive a minimum of 5 hours of instruction in core subjects, and such additional time as needed to provide for other areas of instruction and services.
2. Secondary Schools: A school day shall be a day on which a school is open to all students enrolled therein; and all students receive a minimum of 5.5 hours of instruction in core subjects, and such additional time as needed to provide for other area of instruction and services.

The beginning and closing times for the different grades and sites will be established and according to the needs of the school system. Exception from the established length of the day can be made only with approval of the Superintendent as long as it does not conflict with the state laws and School Committee policies.

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Legal References: M.G.L. 15:1G; 71:1; 71:37; 71:59
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