

## **PERPETUAL SCHOOL CALENDAR**

1.0 Students shall be scheduled to be in attendance for at least the number of days mandated by state law. In addition, the number of hours of teacher-pupil contact and teacher-pupil instruction shall meet or exceed state statute for each educational level.

1.1 Teacher-pupil contact and teacher-pupil instruction shall include time during which a pupil is actively engaged in the educational process, including independent study as set forth in Superintendent Policy and passing time between classes.

2.0 Teachers shall be on duty for such number of days required in the certified employee master agreement.

3.0 There shall be four grading periods consisting of approximately 45 days for high schools using a traditional quarter/semester system. There shall be three grading periods of approximately 60 days each for elementary and middle schools using a trimester system.

4.0 Teacher planning or orientation shall commence two days prior to the first day of classes for students.

5.0 The school calendar shall provide for the following holidays/school closure days:

Labor Day - first Monday in September.

Veterans' Day - to coincide with the federal holiday.

Thanksgiving Vacation - fourth Thursday and Friday in November.

Winter Vacation - ten consecutive week days of vacation, beginning the Monday prior to Christmas; however, when January 2 falls on a Monday, school shall resume on January 3 (for a total of 11 days).

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Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - third Monday in January.

Presidents' Day - third Monday in February.

Spring Vacation - five week days of vacation during March.

Memorial Day - last Monday in May.

6.0 There shall be four (4) teacher duty days during the year. There shall be two planning/orientation days prior to the start of classes each year. Schools on a semester system will have a planning day at the close of each semester. Schools on a trimester system will have a planning day following the second and third trimesters.

7.0 Non-pupil contact days shall be scheduled in accordance with Code: 6100.2 as to released time for students (8 days maximum).

8.0 Charter schools shall be permitted to observe holidays and provide vacations/breaks as they deem appropriate provided the calendar complies with all legal requirements, including but not limited to provisions concerning days of instruction and hours of teacher/pupil contact. Such schools shall submit proposed calendars to the District's charter school liaison no later than April 15 of each year.

LEGAL REFERENCES:  
C.R.S. 22-32-109(1)(n)  
1 CCR 301-39

CROSS REFERENCE:  
Code: 6110

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