

INSTRUCTION
Time for School

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School Calendar

The Board shall adopt a school calendar annually based upon instructional needs. The calendar will include:

1. The opening and closing classes dates;
2. Teacher professional development dates;
3. Vacation dates; and
4. Legal school holidays.

The school calendar may have seven (7) pupil-instruction-related days scheduled for the purpose of:

1. Pre-school staff orientation (not to exceed two (2) days);
2. Staff professional development;
3. Parent-teacher conferences.

School Fiscal Year

The school district shall conduct a minimum aggregate hour in the school fiscal year at the following rate:

1. 720 aggregate hours for kindergarten;
2. 720 aggregate hours for grades 1 through 3; and
3. 1,080 aggregate hours for grades 4 through 8.

Commemorative Holidays

The teachers and students shall devote a portion of the day on each commemorative holiday designated in § 20-1-306, MCA, to study and honor the commemorated person or occasion. The Board may, from time to time, designate a regular school day as a commemorative holiday.

School Closure

The Principal in cooperation with the Board Chair may order the closure of school in the event of extreme weather or other emergency, in compliance with established procedures for notifying parents, students and staff. The trustees may order the emergency closure of school for one school day each year without the need to reschedule the lost pupil instruction time when the closure is the result of an emergency.

Legal References:	§ 20-1-301, MCA	School fiscal year
	§ 20-1-304, MCA	Pupil-instruction-related day
	§ 20-1-306, MCA	Commemorative exercises on certain days
	§ 20-9-801-803, MCA	Emergency school closure
	§ 20-9-806, MCA	Emergency school closure declaration
	10.55.701, ARM	Board of trustees
	10.55.1003 ARM	Program Foundation Standards
	10.65.101-03, ARM	Pupil-instruction-related days

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