

INSTRUCTION

SUBJECT: School Calendar

For each school, the County Office of Education shall adopt a calendar that meets the requirements of law as well as the needs of the community, students, and the work year as negotiated with the County Office of Education's employee organization(s). As appropriate, the County Superintendent of Schools or designee shall ensure that the proposed calendar is aligned with assessment and accountability schedules in order to support the County Office of Education's goals for student achievement.

(cf. 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program)
(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)

Each school calendar shall show the beginning and ending school dates, legal and local holidays, staff development days, orientation days, minimum days, vacation periods, and other pertinent dates.

(cf. 6115 - Ceremonies and Observances)
(cf. 6177 - Summer School)

The County Office of Education shall offer 180 days of instruction per school year, unless the County Office of Education and employee organization(s) have negotiated to reduce the days of instruction in any school year through 2012-13 pursuant to the authorization in Education Code 42605.

(cf. 1431 - Waivers)

Staff development days shall not be counted as instructional days.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

Notification of the schedule of minimum days shall be sent to all parents/guardians at the beginning of the school year. If any minimum days are added to the schedule, the Superintendent or designee shall notify parents/guardians of the affected students as soon as possible and at least one month before the scheduled minimum day. (Education Code 48980)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

Because the County Office of Education operates classrooms and schools in districts throughout Riverside County, and the school calendars differ among the districts, the County Superintendent of Schools may not maintain a single calendar. Therefore, each school or

classroom operating under the auspices of the County Office of Education shall coordinate calendars with the host district and reflect the negotiated work year for employees.

All programs shall operate in accordance with the number of legal days required.

If a school will be used as a polling place on an election day, the County Office of Education shall determine whether to continue school in session, designate the day for staff training and development, or close the school to students and nonclassified staff. (Elections Code 12283)

(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
(cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

37200-37202 School calendar

37220-37223 Holidays

37252-37254.1 Summer school

37300-37307 Year-Round School Demonstration Project

37600-37672 Continuous school programs: year-round schools, especially:

37618 School calendar

37700-37711 Four-day week

41422 Schools not maintained for 175 days

41530-41532 Professional Development Block Grant

46200-46206 Incentives for longer instructional day and year

46300 Method of computing ADA

48980 Notice at beginning of term

REPEALED EDUCATION CODE FOR CATEGORICAL PROGRAMS

44579-44579.6 Instructional Time and Staff Development Reform Program

ELECTIONS CODE

12283 School closures, election days

COURT DECISIONS

Butt v. State of California, (1992) 4 Cal 4th 668

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS BOARD DECISIONS

Davis Joint Unified School District, (1984) PERB Decision No. 474

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

California Public Employment Relations Board: <http://www.perb.ca.gov>

Secretary of State's Office: <http://www.ss.ca.gov>