

## Instruction

### School Calendar

The Superintendent of Schools shall recommend school calendars meeting all statutory requirements to the Board of Education for its review and modified as it believes appropriate, for its approval.

The calendars recommended to the Board may include the operation of schools on state holidays providing a suitable nonsectarian educational program is held to observe the holiday, except for those holidays that occur in December and January.

The school calendar shall show school days in each school month, the number of school days in each month, legal and local holidays, staff development days, early closing days, vacation periods, and other pertinent dates.

The Board, in establishing a graduation date, may establish for any school year a firm graduation date which is no earlier than the one-hundred eighty-fifth day in the adopted school calendar. The graduation date may be modified, if necessary, after April first in any school year by the Board establishing a firm graduation date which, at the time of such establishment, provides for at least 180 days of school.

To benefit children, families, and school staff in their planning, multiple year school calendars are preferable to single year school calendars.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

1-4 Days designated as legal holidays

10-15 Towns to maintain schools

10-16 Length of school day

10-29a Certain days to be proclaimed by governor. Distribution and number of proclamations

10-161 Establishment of graduation date

10-261 Definitions

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