

SCHOOL DAY

Background

Pursuant to the provisions of the Education Act, the Board establishes the school day as follows.

Procedures

1. The school day for instructional purposes shall be established within the following times:
 - 1.1 Warning Bell: No earlier than 8:50 a.m.
 - 1.2 Regular Class Start Times: No earlier than 8:55 a.m.
 - 1.3 School Dismissal: No later than 3:30 p.m.
2. A school day for instructional purposes shall consist of a minimum of three hundred (300) minutes for elementary schools and a minimum of three hundred and twenty (320) minutes for junior and senior high schools.
3. In addition to the above, there shall be provisions made for elementary students to receive two (2) recess periods during each instructional day, and each recess period shall be a minimum of fifteen (15) minutes in duration.
4. A teacher shall arrive at school a reasonable period of time before school opening for the morning session and the afternoon session; and following the afternoon session, shall remain on the premises as long as students under the teacher's charge are present or until the teacher is relieved by a responsible person who has been approved by the Board or the Principal.
 - 4.1 The Principal and staff may determine what a reasonable period of time is, subject to the approval of the Superintendent.
5. The Superintendent may receive applications from schools or the Transportation Services Manager to vary the school start or stop time in the event the school wishes to start prior to or stop after the times set out in this Administrative Procedure.
 - 5.1 The Superintendent may approve or deny such applications taking into account the impact the proposed variations would have on transportation and other schools in that area.

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Reference: Sections 18, 19, 33, 51, 52, 53, 60, 205, 222 Education Act
Section 25 Employment Standards Code
Collective Agreement
Guide to Education ECS to Grade 12