

**SCHOOL CALENDAR**

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

*(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)*  
*(cf. 4143/4243 - Negotiations/Consultation)*  
*(cf. 6162.51 - State Academic Achievement Tests)*  
*(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. 6112 - School Day)*  
*(cf. 6115 - Ceremonies and Observances)*  
*(cf. 6117 - Year-Round Schedules)*  
*(cf. 6177 - Summer Learning Programs)*

The district shall offer a minimum of 180 days of instruction per school year. Staff development days shall not be counted as instructional days.

*(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)*  
*(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)*  
*(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)*

Notification of the schedule of minimum days and student-free staff development days shall be sent to all parents/guardians at the beginning of the school year. If any minimum days or student-free staff development 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)*

If a school will be used as a polling place on an election day, the Board 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: (see next page)*

**SCHOOL CALENDAR (continued)**

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

37200-37202 *School calendar*

37220-37223 *Holidays*

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

37618 *School calendar*

37700-37712 *Four-day week*

41420 *Apportionment withholding, schools not maintained for 175 days*

41422 *Schools not maintained for 175 days*

42238.02 *Local control funding formula*

46200-46208 *Incentives for longer instructional day and year*

46300 *Method of computing ADA*

48980 *Notice at beginning of term*

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*

*Management Resources:*

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.sos.ca.gov>