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SCHOOL DAY

The board of education recognizes that the calendar year commences on July 1 and ends on the following June 30. Further, the school day hours shall be established each year prior to July 1 for the following term.

The length of the school day and the length of periods of instruction at various levels shall be recommended by the chief school administrator and set by the board, and shall be in keeping with requirements of the state board of education.

The particular opening and closing hours for levels and/or schools shall also be subject to board approval. These opening and closing times shall be as uniform as possible at comparable levels throughout the district. The length of the school day shall be at least as long for students with disabilities as for nondisabled students.

The chief school administrator shall recommend for board approval the length of class periods and the frequency of instruction in individual subjects.

School administrators shall not dismiss school for any part of the school day without the approval of the chief school administrator.

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**Legal References:**

<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	18A:36-1	School year
<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	18A:36-2	Time when schools are open; determination
<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	18A:36-16	Rules regarding religious holidays
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6A:14-4.1(c)	General requirements
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6A:32-8.3	School attendance

**Possible**

<b><u>Cross References:</u></b>	2210	Administrative leeway in absence of board policy
	5113	Absences and excuses
	5124	Reporting to parents/guardians
	6111	School calendar
	6114	Emergencies and disaster preparedness
	6141.2	Recognition of religious beliefs and customs
	6146	Graduation requirements
	6171.4	Special education

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