

SCHOOL CALENDAR

For each district school, the Governing Board shall adopt a school 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 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 School)

Before any reduction in the number of working days the district must first negotiate with employee organizations.

The district shall offer 180 days of instruction per school year, except for any school year in which the district and employee organization(s) agree to have fewer days of instruction pursuant to the authorization in Education Code [46201.2](#).

Staff development days shall not be counted as instructional days.

(cf. [4131](#) - Staff Development)
(cf. [4231](#) - Staff Development)
(cf. [4331](#) - Staff Development)

Notifications 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)

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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 non-classified staff. (Elections Code 12283)

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

(cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses)

Legal References:

EDUCATION CODE:

37200-37202 *School calendar*

37220-37223 *Holidays*

37252-37253.5 *Summer school*

37300-37307 *Year-Round School Demonstration Project*

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

37618 *School calendar*

37700-37707 *Four-day week*

41422 *Schools not maintained for 175 days*

46200-46205 *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

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.ss.ca.gov>

Policy

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SAUGUS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

Santa Clarita, California