

InstructionSchool Calendar

The superintendent will develop a calendar that will accommodate all the planned experiences and activities the school district provides and fulfill the intent of Board Policy, Administrative Regulation, State Statute, and Rules and Regulations of the Nebraska State Board of Education.

No later than March board meeting of the preceding year, the Board of Education shall approve the school calendar. Arlington Public Schools will have a school year consisting of at least (a) for grades up through grade eight, the time equivalent to 1,032 hours and (b) for grades nine through twelve, the time equivalent to 1,080 hours.

In addition, school shall be in session for students in kindergarten through grade twelve for a minimum of 175 days per school calendar year. The superintendent will develop a contingency plan for making up lost days in session if such days are lost to inclement weather or other reasons that cause school to be cancelled. Exceptions to the school calendar or days in session may be approved by the Board, but any deviations to instructional hours or days in session shall not conflict with laws of the State of Nebraska nor with rules and regulations of the State Board of Education or Department of Education.

~~An instructional hour shall mean a period of time at least sixty (60) minutes, which is actually used for the instruction of students.~~

The school calendar shall include, but need not be limited to, days for student instruction, staff development, in-service days, or teacher conferences.

~~Interruptions in the school year of the 1,080 and 1,032 instructional hour minimums due to extracurricular activities (interscholastic sports, clubs, and contest) will be held to a minimum. All students participating in such events will be required to comply with the District's policies on student attendance for such absences to be excused, including the completion of assignments for missed classes. Extracurricular activities shall be defined as school events which involve student participation and faculty sponsorship. Interscholastic sports, clubs, and events shall be defined as school activities which involve student participation (one or more students) and faculty sponsorship. Activities so defined include Softball, Cross Country, Golf, Volleyball, Football, Basketball, Wrestling, Track, Baseball, FBLA, Journalism, Music, and Speech.~~

~~The required 1,080 and 1,032 instructional hour minimums shall not include the following:~~

- ~~1. School Lunch Time~~
- ~~2. Emergency School Closings~~

~~Interruptions for the following events may be included in the required instructional hours, but shall be limited to the extent practicable:~~

1. ~~Nebraska School Activities Association Sponsored Play offs and State Contests~~
2. ~~Assemblies~~
3. ~~Pep Rallies~~
4. ~~Class Meetings~~
5. ~~Mock Trial~~
6. ~~Health Screening~~
7. ~~Yearbook Pictures~~
8. ~~Program Practices~~
9. ~~Early Dismissal for Graduating Seniors~~

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