

## Instruction

### School Calendar

The Superintendent of Schools shall recommend school calendars meeting all statutory requirements to the Board of Education for its review and modified as it believes appropriate, for its approval.

The calendars recommended to the Board may include the operation of schools on state holidays providing a suitable nonsectarian educational program is held to observe the holiday, except for those holidays that occur in December and January.

The school calendar shall show school days in each school month, the number of school days in each month, legal and local holidays, staff development days, early closing days, vacation periods, and other pertinent dates, including graduation for students in grade twelve.

The Board, in establishing a graduation date, may establish for any school year a firm graduation date which is no earlier than the one-hundred eighty-fifth day in the adopted school calendar. The graduation date may be modified, if necessary, after April first in any school year by the Board establishing a firm graduation date which, at the time of such establishment, provides for at least 180 days of school.

For the school year commencing July 1, 2016, and each school year thereafter, the Board of Education shall use the RESC developed and approved uniform regional school calendar.

The Board of Education may delay implementation of the uniform regional school calendar until the school year commencing July 1, 2017 because of an existing employee contract that makes the implementation of such calendar impossible.

(cf. 6146 - Graduation Requirements)

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes  
 1-4 Days designated as legal holidays.  
 10-15 Towns to maintain schools, as amended by PA 11-85, An Act Concerning the Achievement Gap.  
 10-29a Certain days to be proclaimed by governor. Distribution and number of proclamations.  
 10-261 Definitions.  
 10-16l Establishment of graduation date.  
 10-233j Student possession and use of telecommunication devices.  
 PA 13-247, An Act Implementing Provisions of the State Budget for the Biennium Ending June 30, 2015 Concerning General Government, Sections 321-324.  
 PA 14-38, An Act Concerning the Recommendations of the Uniform Regional School Calendar Task Force.

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