

## **Instruction**

### **School Calendar**

The school calendar shall show the beginning and ending of school dates, legal and local holidays, orientation meeting days, number of teaching days, vacation periods, and other pertinent dates.

The Superintendent of Schools shall recommend to the Board of Education a school calendar that will meet the requirements of the law as well as the needs of the community, students, and personnel.

The Board of Education may declare a holiday in the schools under its jurisdiction when a good reason exists.

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.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

1-4 Days designated as legal holidays.

10-15 Towns to maintain schools.

10-29a Certain days to be proclaimed by governor. Distribution and number of proclamations.

10-261 Definitions.

PA 95-182 An Act Concerning Reduction of Education Mandates

PA 96-108 An Act Concerning Student Use of Telecommunication Devices and the Establishment of Graduation Dates

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