District:

Tupelo Public School District

Section:

A - School District Organization

Policy Code: AE - School Year (Academic Year)

## SCHOOL YEAR

Schools in the District shall be in session for at least one hundred eighty (180) days in which both teachers and students are in regular attendance for scheduled classroom instruction, unless otherwise provided by law.

Subject to the foregoing, the Board may establish the date for the opening and closing of the school term.

LEGAL REF: MCA §§ 37-13-61, 37-13-63;

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## ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

- 1. The opening date of the school year for students is scheduled no earlier than August 1 and the closing date no later than June 15.
- 2. The teaching day must provide at least 330 minutes of instruction per day or 27.5 hours per five-day week.
- 3. During the academic school year, a minimum of 140 hours of instruction is provided for each Carnegie unit of credit offered and 70 hours for each 1/2 unit offered. A traditional 7-period day schedule must provide at least 48 minutes per period. A block schedule must provide at least 94 minutes.
- 4. Two of the 180 days may be 60% days, provided that there are 198 minutes of actual instruction or testing and the remainder of each day is used for professional development or other activities related to instruction.

**Adopted Date:** 

9/12/1995

Approved/Revised Date: