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## **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 calendar is subject to modification in the event of a change in circumstances.

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 eightieth-[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.]

To benefit children, families, and school staff in their planning, multiple year school calendars are preferable to single year school calendars.

(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 P.A.
	11-85, An Act Concerning the Achievement Gap.
	10-16 Length of school day.
10-29a	Certain days to be proclaimed by governor. Distribution and number of proclamations.
	10-161 Establishment of Graduation date.
	10 261 Definitions.
	10-233j Student possession and use of telecommunication devices.

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