

Duchesne County School District - Policy Proposal

4.0200 School Year

Existing Policy	Proposed Policy
<p>4.0200 School Year</p> <p>4.0200.01 <i>LENGTH OF SCHOOL YEAR</i></p> <p><i>Issue Date: 5/8/97 Updated: 4/14/16</i></p> <p>The schools of the District shall be in operation for at least 180 instructional days. However, the Board may authorize individual schools to operate on a year-round, 45 day/15 day schedule of 172 instructional days as authorized by State Office of Education regulation. In either case, the school year shall consist of at least 990 instructional hours during each school year, except as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grade 1 must have a minimum of 810 hours and 180 days. 2. The Board may reallocate up to 32 instructional hours or 4 school days for teacher preparation time or professional development by a two-thirds majority vote of the Board in a properly <p>noticed and held public meeting. If a reallocation is made, parents and guardians shall be notified of the school calendar at least 90 days before the beginning of the school year.</p> <p><i>Utah Admin. Rules R277-419-1.M (October 9, 2012)</i> <i>Utah Admin. Rules R277-419-4 (October 9, 2012)</i> <i>Utah Admin. Rules R277-419-5.C(3) (October 9, 2012)</i> <i>Utah Admin. Rules R277-419-8.D (October 9, 2012)</i> <i>Utah Code § 53A-17a-103(4) (2015)</i></p>	<p>4.0200 School Year</p> <p>4.0200.01 <i>LENGTH OF SCHOOL YEAR</i></p> <p><i>Issue Date: 5/7/2026</i></p> <p>The schools of the District shall be in operation for at least 990 instructional hours during each school year.</p> <p>For schools awarding credit in grades 9-12, the number of credits required to graduate must equate to at least 83 class hours for one credit. The schedule must be built with this parameter as a minimum. Other schools serving Preschool to 8th grade shall adapt schedules that coincide with their community high school so that students may be transported to and from school together. Utah Code 53F-2-102 (c)</p> <p>Exceptions to the 990 hour rules include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Con Amore: Students at Con Amore School are to receive as much time as possible as allowed by transportation requirements based on the minimum high school rule above. 2. The board may reallocate up to 32 instructional hours or four school days for teacher preparation time or teacher professional development and up to an additional 16 instructional hours or two school days for parent-teacher conference (or their equivalent) trade days. A reallocation of instructional hours or school days is subject to the approval of two-thirds of the members of the board voting in a regularly scheduled meeting. <p>Utah Code 53F-2-102 (d)</p>

4.0200.02 SEMESTER BASIS Issue Date: 5/8/97

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4.0200.03 BEGINNING DATE Issue Date: 5/8/97

Student attendance for the first semester of the regular school term shall be established by the Board pursuant to an annually adopted calendar.

4.0200.04 EMERGENCY/ACTIVITY DAYS Issue Date: 4/14/16

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4.0200.07 KINDERGARTEN ASSESSMENT Issue Date: 4/14/16

~~The Board may designate up to 12 instructional days at either or both the beginning or end of the school year for assessment of students entering or completing kindergarten. Assessments shall be conducted by qualified school employees. The assessment time per student must be adequate to justify the amount of instructional time used for assessment. Such action must be taken in a properly noticed public meeting and the parents or guardians of these students shall be given notice and an explanation of the assessment well in advance of the assessment period.~~

~~*Utah Admin. Rules R277-419-8.C(4) (October 9, 2012)*~~

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