

SCHOOL CALENDAR; SCHOOL DAY

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The Holmdel Township Board of Education recognizes that the preparation of a calendar for the instructional program of the schools is necessary for orderly educational planning and for the efficient operation of the district.

The Board shall determine annually the days when the schools shall be in session for instructional purposes. Such school calendar shall consist of no fewer than the number of days of instruction required by law.

The calendar shall set forth the number of days of instruction, the days that schools shall be in session, holidays and vacation periods, special days of inservice or organizational work for staff members, the end of marking periods, parent-teacher conference dates and days when report cards will be released.

The Superintendent shall prepare the school calendar for Board consideration in consultation with teacher and administrator association representatives and the county superintendent. The Superintendent shall make every effort to present the proposed calendar to the Board at the meeting prior to the Annual Reorganization Meeting. The Board reserves the right to alter the school calendar when feasible and advisable in the best interests of the children of the district.

The Board shall adopt annually a list of religious holidays which shall consist of a minimum of those holidays designated by the N.J. Commissioner of Education.

SCHOOL DAY

The length of the school day and the length of periods of instruction at various levels shall be recommended by the Superintendent and set by the Board, and shall be in keeping with requirements of the State Board of Education.

The particular opening and closing hours for levels and/or schools shall also be subject to Board approval. These opening and closing times shall be as uniform as possible at comparable levels throughout the district.

The Superintendent shall recommend for Board approval the length of class periods and the frequency of instruction in individual subjects.

School administrators shall not dismiss school for any part of the school day without the approval of the Superintendent.

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Legal References:	<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	18A:25-3	Teaching, etc., on holidays not required
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	18A:36-1	School year
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	18A:36-2	Time when schools are open; determination
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	18A:36-16	Rules regarding religious holidays
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:8-4.9(a)8	Facilities master plan--sub-standard classrooms
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:20-1.3(b)	School attendance
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:28-4.1(e)	General requirements

Manual for the Evaluation of Local School Districts
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Possible

Cross References:	*2210	Administrative leeway in absence of board policy
	*5113	Absences and excuses
	*5124	Reporting to parents/guardians
	*5127	Commencement activities
	*6111	School calendar
	*6112	School day
	*6114	Emergencies and disaster preparedness
	*6141.2	Recognition of religious beliefs and customs
	*6146	Graduation requirements
	*6171.4	Special education

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.

