

SCHOOL YEAR/SCHOOL DAY

School Year

In accordance with the Code of Virginia, Waynesboro Public Schools shall be operated with students in attendance a minimum 180 days per school year. Days on which schools are closed due to inclement weather or emergencies shall be made up if necessary to meet the 180-day requirement.

School Calendar

The official school calendar for the following year will be adopted no later than June 1 by the board upon the recommendation of the superintendent. Any exceptions or revisions to the calendar must be approved in advance by the board.

The superintendent must insure that the calendar conforms to the number of actual days of employment as required by law and board policy.

An advisory committee composed of teachers, parents, and school administration may be utilized to recommend a proposed calendar to the superintendent. The re-recommendation of this committee will be considered as advisory.

School Day

The length of the regular school day will not be less than five and one-half nor more than six and one-half hours, for grades 1 - 12 exclusive of time for mid-day intermission and/or lunch.

The length of each kindergarten session will not be less than three hours and will meet the minimum class time as prescribed by the State Board of Education.

The secondary school class schedule will contain a minimum of 150 clock hours for each unit of credit. Credits may be granted in increments of one-half units and total class time scheduled in half increments of 150 hours.

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The time for dismissal of each grade in the various schools will be determined by the superintendent and approved by the board, with uniformity the goal.

No classes will be dismissed before the scheduled dismissal hour except with the approval of the superintendent.

The length of the school day may be modified per the Individual Education Plan (IEP) for a special education student.

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Legal Refs.: Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended Sections 22.1-19; 22.1-79.1; 22.1-98

Regulations of the Virginia Board of Education, Revised 1993,
VR 270-01-0012 (4, 10), VR 270-01-0050