

INSTRUCTION

Instructional Time - Importance and Impact Review

A. Generally

The School Board ~~of the City of Virginia Beach~~ recognizes that in the education of children, quality teaching and high levels of student achievement are ~~interdependent~~interdependent, and both require and have an impact on time. Therefore, it is imperative that time during the teachers' workday be utilized to the maximum benefit of students.

B. Definition

For the purpose of this ~~P~~policy, "instructional time" is defined as the time spent in direct instruction, assessment, and evaluation of students. It also includes the time teachers spend in planning, preparing, collaborating, ~~conferencing~~conferencing, and receiving training for the purpose of instructing students.

C. Time Impact Review

To minimize intrusions on instructional time, an impact review is required for ~~divisionwide~~division wide initiatives or programs that are of such scope that they impact and/or significantly alter the utilization of instructional time and, thus, impact teachers' delivery of services. The Superintendent ~~or designee~~ will ensure that initiatives proposed by or being considered by the School Board are reviewed and analyzed to determine the potential impact on instructional time. The School Board will be provided with the results of that review and analysis and should not take action in the absence of that impact review. School ~~A~~administration and/or external organizations (such as city government, higher education, business partners, etc.) planning or requesting the implementation of new programs and initiatives, will also be subject to a time impact review; and if they do not require School Board approval, will be ~~approved~~approved, or denied by the Superintendent or his designee.

Legal Reference

~~Code of Virginia § 22.1-291.1, as amended. Planning time for school teachers.~~

~~Virginia Board of Education Regulations 8VAC20-131-5, as amended. Definitions.~~

~~Virginia Board of Education Regulations 8VAC20-131-240, as amended. Administrative and Ssupport Sstaff; Sstaffing Rrequirements.~~

~~Virginia Board of Education Regulations 8VAC 20-440-20. Contractual Period Defined.~~

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