

Descriptor Term: WORK LOAD – Certified Personnel

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It will be the policy of the Gulfport School District that no individual teacher in grades seven through twelve will have more than three course preparations per day, except that four preparations may be approved if the four are in the same discipline area.

The classroom teacher will be provided with a period of time during the school day that is unencumbered by instructional and supervisory responsibilities. This time will be used for instructional planning, either individual or departmental. This time will be exclusive of time allocated for lunch and will be no less than 150 minutes per week.

The class load of the 7th through 12th grade teachers will be limited to one less period than the total number of periods daily.

Students will remain engaged in academic tasks at least 330 minutes per day.

For kindergarten, the pupil-teacher ratio will be based on Mississippi Department of Education standards.

For grades 1-3, the pupil-teacher ratio will be based on Mississippi Department of Education standards.

For grades 4-5, the pupil-teacher ratio will be based on Mississippi Department of Education standards.

For grades 6-12 departmentalized academic core classes, the pupil-teacher ratio will be no more than 33 to 1.

For grades 6-12 academic core classes the maximum number of students per day will not exceed 150.

Legal Reference: Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards