

Board Policy I-5: School Day for Students



REFERENCES

[Utah Admin. Code R277-419, Pupil Accounting](#)

THE POLICY

The Salt Lake City School District Board of Education develops and supports practices and structures that enhance student learning. The school day for students will be designed and implemented in a manner that meets students' needs and supports effective instructional practices. The purpose of this policy is to set a minimum number of instructional hours for students.

In implementing a late start schedule for district high schools, the board prohibits high schools from having early release days, except as approved by the superintendent. District middle and elementary schools may incorporate early release days in their schedules if such adjustments are approved through the appropriate process.

Annual school calendars shall be developed to provide 1000 instructional hours in 180 school days for students in grades one through twelve. Instructional hours for kindergarten may range from 450 hours in a half-day program to 1000 hours in the full day program. During each school year, up to three full school days may be used for any combination of parent conferences, individualized or targeted small group assessment, or individualized student planning; for half-day kindergarten, up to 12 instructional hours may be used for the same purposes.

In the event of an emergency or extraordinary circumstances, the board may grant of waiver of these requirements so long as any such waiver complies with state law.

No district employee or student shall be subjected to discrimination in employment or any district program or activity on the basis of age, color, disability, gender, gender identity, genetic information, national origin, pregnancy, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status. The district is committed to providing equal access and equal opportunity in its programs, services and employment including its policies, complaint processes, program accessibility, district facility use, accommodations and other Equal Employment Opportunity matters. The district also provides equal access to district facilities for all youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United States Code, including scouting groups. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries and complaints regarding unlawful discrimination, harassment, and retaliation: Tina Hatch, Compliance and Investigations/Title IX Coordinator, 406 East 100 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, (801) 578-8388. You may also contact the Office for Civil Rights, Denver, CO, (303) 844-5695.