

INSTRUCTION

Year-Round Schedules

The Board believes that a year-round schedule can reduce loss of student learning over vacations as well as enable the district to address overcrowding in schools through the more efficient use of school facilities. The feasibility of establishing year-round schedules shall be considered as the Board monitors current and projected enrollments, facilities needs, and instructional needs.

(cf. 6111 - School Calendar)

(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)

Before approving a year-round program in any district school, the Board shall consult with certificated and classified employees of the school, parents/guardians of students who would be affected by the change, and the community at large. Such consultation shall include at least one public hearing. (Education Code 37616)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a year-round schedule for any school selected or approved by the Board for year-round schedule. The schedule shall specify the number of tracks or groups into which students and staff shall be divided and the number and length of instructional and vacation periods.

Assignment to Year-Round Tracks

The Superintendent or designee shall establish an unbiased process for determining assignment of students to tracks based on the following criteria:

1. Students of the same family shall be placed in the same group or track unless one or more of such students are enrolled in a special education class or unless the parent/guardian requests that the students be placed in different groups. (Education Code 37617)
2. Assignment based on ability level shall be minimized except when necessary to accommodate special education needs or other specialized programs.

(cf. 6172 - Gifted and Talented Student Program)

(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)

After assignment based on the above priorities, remaining students shall be chosen on a lottery basis when the number of students requesting a particular track exceeds spaces available. Second preferences shall be accommodated to the extent possible.

The Superintendent or designee shall give parents/guardians adequate notice regarding their child's schedule.

Once students are assigned to a track, priority shall be placed on keeping students on the same track each year unless the parent/guardian requests a change.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 17017.5 Approval of applications; year-round education program*
 - 17017.6 Substantial enrollment, high school districts*
 - 17017.7 Priority for funding new construction*
 - 17071.40 Exemption from increase in school building capacity*
 - 17088.3 Qualifications for lease; submission of year-round multitrack educational program study*
 - 37202 Equity length of term, exceptions*
 - 37220-37223 Saturdays and holidays*
 - 37600-37644 Continuous school programs*
 - 37670-37672 Multi-track year round scheduling*
 - 37680-37695 Concept 6 class scheduling*
 - 41420 Minimum number of instructional days per year*
 - 42250.1 Funding for air conditioning*
 - 42260-42269 Year-Round School Grant Program*
 - 46200-46206 Incentives for longer instructional day and year*
- CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5*
- 855 Testing period*
 - 884 Primary language testing period*
 - 14030 School housing standards for multitrack programs*

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

- California Department of Education, multitrack Year-Round Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/fa/yr>*
- National Association for Year-Round Education: <http://www.nayre.org>*

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