

# Series 600 – Education Program

Policy Title: SCHOOL CALENDAR

Policy Code No. 601.1

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The school calendar will accommodate the education program of the school district. The school calendar is for a minimum of 1,080 hours and includes, but is not be limited to, the days for student instruction, staff development, in-service days, and time for teacher conferences.

The academic school year for students shall sooner than August 23. Employees may be required to report to work at the school district prior to this date.

Special education students may attend school on a calendar different from the regular education program consistent with their Individualized Education Program.

The board, at its discretion, may excuse graduation seniors from up to five days or 30 hours of instruction after the school district requirements for graduation have been met. The board may also excuse graduating seniors from making up days missed due to inclement weather if the student has met the school district's graduation requirements.

It shall be the responsibility of the superintendent or designee to develop the school calendar for recommendation, approval, and adoption by the board annually.

The board may amend the official school calendar when the board considers the change to be in the best interest of the school district's education program. The board shall hold a public hearing on any proposed school calendar prior to adopting the school calendar.

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281 Iowa Admin. Code 12.1(7); 41.106.

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601.2 School Day  
603.3 Special Education