



INSTRUCTIONAL YEAR

Background

Subject to the provisions of the Education Act, the Board is responsible for establishing the school instructional year for the Division.

The Board will, prior to May 31 in each year, establish the next school instructional year.

Procedures

1. The school instructional year will specify:
 - 1.1 School opening date.
 - 1.2 Number of operational days.
 - 1.3 Number of instructional days.
 - 1.4 Professional development days, including Teachers Convention and Vacation periods.
2. A holiday declared by a municipality does not apply unless the Board declares it to be applicable.
3. The Superintendent, in consultation with school administrators, shall recommend a school year for Board consideration.
4. As per collective agreement, the date upon which a Teacher is required to render the first day of service in any school year shall be announced by the Board not less than four (4) calendar months prior to such date. Teachers will not be required to render professional services for more than 200 consecutive days commencing the opening day of school in each year, exclusive of vacation periods, weekends and holidays.
5. The Superintendent shall notify the Minister prior to May 31 of each year with regard to the Board-approved opening and closing days and vacation periods for the next school year.

The Board shall make publicly available for each school year the approved school calendars.

Reference: Section 18, 19, 33, 51, 52, 53, 60, 197, 205, 222 Education Act
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