

**SCHOOL YEAR**

The school year shall be a minimum of 180 days for students and additional days for the teaching staff, emergency days, etc.

Any days that the schools are closed for emergency reasons will be made up at the end of the school year or during recess periods, as approved by the Board upon the Superintendent's recommendation. Under special circumstances the Board may request an exception to this requirement from the State Board of Education.

The school calendar will be developed by the Superintendent and approved by the Board. To the extent possible, the calendar will be coordinated with the school calendars of the area vocational and regional special education programs.

The Board recognizes its option to explore defining the school year by number of hours rather than by number of days.

**Legal References:**

*RSA 189:1, Days of School*

*NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed. 306.18, School Year*

*NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed. 306.19, School /calendar*

*NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed. 306.27(q), High School Schedule for Seniors/Graduation*

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