

BIG HORN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER ONE
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POLICIES AND REGULATIONS
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SCHOOL DAY

Section 1. Authority

This policy is authorized by the State Board of Education Rules and Regulations, Chapter 22 which provides that the minimum annual student-teacher contact time for Wyoming public school (K-12) is 450 hours for Kindergarten, 900 hours for Elementary, 1050 hours for Middle school and junior high school, and 1100 hours for secondary school within the 175 days required by state Statutes.

The Board of Trustees of each local school district is authorized to establish the length of the school day in its schools to meet these minimums. The board may exceed these minimum hours, and accumulate extra time which may then be used to provide for an adjusted school schedule for staff development, teacher planning, community involvement, and similar professional and development activities, or to make up time lost because of emergency closings.

Section 2. Student -Teacher Contact Time

The Board of Trustees of Big Horn County School District Number One defines student-teacher contact time as all the instructional time students are in classes, excluding lunch time, recesses, and passing time between classes. This time is considered non-instructional time.

Section 3. School Day

The minimum annual student-teacher contact time for at all schools in Big Horn County School District Number One shall be 900 for elementary (including full day Kindergarten), and 1100 hours for Grades 7-12.

Section 4. Adjusted School Hours

The Superintendent is authorized to adjust the regular daily school schedule to release of students early for staff development activities.

Section 5. Emergency Closing

In case of emergency school closings the daily school schedule may be adjusted by the superintendent as necessary, provided the State Board of Education minimum hour requirements are met.

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