

**SUBJECT:            SCHOOL YEAR/SCHOOL CALENDAR**

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**1.0    Policy**

The Board is required by law to set the beginning of the school term and to provide for a school year containing a minimum of 1098 student instruction hours as required by law.

The calendar and its preparation will meet terms established by collective bargaining agreements and the applicable law. The Board retains full authority for ensuring that state-mandated requirements for the number of school days and instructional hours per year are met by the district.

In keeping with the Board-approved calendar, the general superintendent may approve the scheduling of half-days for teacher planning, evaluation, development and conferences and any revisions in such schedules as may be needed by administrative areas or by particular schools.

**Attachments to Policy 9.35:**            None

**Legal References:**    MCLA § 380.1175  
                              MCLA § 380.1284  
                              R340.10-R340.12

**Labor Contract References:**        Negotiated agreements establish the number of work days in the year for staff; some call for consultation with the unit in calendar preparation. See DFT agreement for specifics on staff planning, evaluation, and conference days.