



Report to the Board of Trustees

Revised Policy Code: I 1.2 - School Day

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Public:

In Camera:

Budget Implications:

Core Priority:

- Student Achievement and Well-Being
- Effective Stewardship of Board Resources
- Appropriate and Effective Faith-Based Programming
- Organizational and Capacity Building

Meeting Date: February 27, 2017

Report Number: E.3.(u).17.

Action:

Information:

Follow Up Item:

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Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Trustees approve revised Policy Code: I 1.2 - School Day, as presented, effective immediately.

Background and Purpose

At the December 5th, 2016 Regular Meeting the Board of Trustees passed the following motion:

1. That the Board of Trustees give first reading to revised Policy Code: I 1.2 – School Day.
2. That revised Policy Code: I 1.2 – School Day be circulated to all schools, student cabinet, the District School Council/PIC and presidents of all employee union and professional groups for review and response by Friday, January 27, 2017 to Superintendent of Business and Treasurer, Jacquie Davison for presentation at the regular Board meeting on Monday, February 27, 2017.

Discussion

No feedback was received on this policy.

Attachments:

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Policy Statement:

The London District Catholic School Board is committed to fostering Graduates who become:

- Discerning believers
- Effective communicators
- Reflective, creative and holistic thinkers
- Self-directed, responsible lifelong learners
- Collaborative contributors
- Caring family members
- Responsible citizens

Purpose:

To achieve this commitment the Board believes that it must make effective use of the school day in order to meet the learning needs of students, assure their safety, operate efficiently and comply with the regulations of the Province of Ontario (R.R.O 1990, Reg. 298, s. 3).

Application and Scope:**1.0 Principles:**

- 1.1 The length of the instructional program of each school day for pupils of compulsory age shall be not less than five hours (300 minutes) excluding recesses or scheduled intervals between classes.
- 1.2 The length of the instructional program for pupils in Full Day Kindergarten shall be not less than five hours (300 minutes) per day.
- 1.3 Instructional program excludes time for assembly of classes, opening exercises, recess, scheduled intervals between classes at the secondary level, and lunch break.
- 1.4 Elementary students shall assemble no later than 9:30 a.m. and shall be dismissed between 3:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.
- 1.5 Secondary students shall assemble no earlier than 8:00 a.m. and be dismissed no later than 4:00 p.m.
- 1.6 There shall be a morning recess and an afternoon recess, each of which shall be not less than ten (10) minutes and not more than fifteen (15) minutes in length for pupils in the primary and junior divisions (O. Reg. 492/01, s. 1)
- 1.7 In the intermediate division and the senior division, a principal may, subject to approval of the board, provide for recesses or intervals for pupils between periods.

2.0 Expected Outcomes of Policy

- 2.1 The School Day policy effectively ensures consistency of instructional time in schools across the London District Catholic School Board. Through the use of websites, school agendas and social media, school schedules will be accessible to staff, students, parents and members of the community. Varied start and end times facilitate transportation planning for both elementary and secondary schools.

Adopted: July 13, 1998

Revised:

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