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SCHOOL YEAR/SCHOOL CALENDAR

In the spring of each year, the Mansfield School Committee will develop a calendar, for the upcoming school year in accordance with state statutes and regulations adopted by the State Board of Education. Under the powers granted to it, the School Committee will determine any variations from the statutes and regulations that it can make. These variations will be in accordance with its contractual obligations to employees of the Mansfield Public Schools.

- 1. The School Committee shall schedule a school year that includes at least 185 school days for each school in the District.
- 2. Elementary school will operate for a minimum of 180 days. Schools shall ensure every elementary school student is scheduled to receive a minimum of 900 hours per school year of structured learning time, as defined in regulation. Time which a student spends at school breakfast and lunch, passing between classes, in homeroom, at recess, in non-directed study periods, receiving school services, and participating in optional school programs shall not count toward meeting the minimum structured learning time requirement for that student.
- 3. Secondary schools will operate for a minimum of 180 days. Schools shall ensure every secondary school student is scheduled to receive a minimum of 990 hours per school year of structured learning time, as defined in regulation. Time which a student spends at school breakfast and lunch, passing between classes, in homeroom, at recess, in non-directed study periods, receiving school services, and participating in optional school programs shall not count toward meeting the minimum structured learning time requirement for that student.

For the information of staff, students, and parent/guardians, the calendar will set forth the days schools will be in session; holidays and vacation periods; in-service days; and parent/guardian conferences.

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