

Multitrack Year-Round Schedules

The Governing Board recognizes that adequate school facilities must be provided to accommodate present student enrollment as well as anticipated growth. While new facilities may ultimately be built and/or present ones expanded, the Board also recognizes that existing facilities should be used as efficiently as possible.

The Board believes that the implementation of a year-round schedule is necessary to address the problem of over-enrollment and/or lack of facilities while delivering sequential, continuous instruction. The Board acknowledges that a year-round schedule presents challenges for families, teachers, and support services, that are different from those shared by individuals in a traditional program. The Board affirms that students in multitrack year-round schedules should have access to the same programs and opportunities as student on traditional schedules. The district shall make every reasonable effort to provide intersessions and extended day programs to equitably meet student needs.

When a school is identified as meeting the criteria for possible placement on a year-round schedule, parent/guardian informational meetings will be held and parent/guardian input sought. The Board will consider implementation of a multitrack year-round schedule to school sites which meet the defined criteria of a site capacity maximum of 850 students, or the equivalent, based on a 10 acre site. Prior to planning for multitrack year-round implementation, consideration will be given to limiting enrollment through restriction of future transfers and/or boundary reconfiguration. An analysis of the costs and impact on playground space and support facilities will be completed before placing additional classrooms on sites.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a year-round schedule for the selected schools. The schedule shall specify the type of plan as well as the number of tracks.

Insofar as possible, parents/guardians of children in year-round programs shall have the opportunity to select the program track that best meets family needs. The schools shall give first priority to keeping family members on the same program track.

(cf. 5116 - School Attendance Boundaries)

When a schools student enrollment/capacity declines below 850 students, the district will initiate a feasibility study for the conversion from the multitrack year-round schedule to a traditional or modified year-round schedule. The results of this study and recommendations will be provided to the Board.

The district will consider conversion from multitrack year-round calendar to a traditional or single track year-round calendar for multitrack schools as funding becomes available for additional sites.

Federal and state holidays will be observed by all students.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

17017.5 Approval of applications; year-round education program

17017.6 Substantial enrollment, high school districts

17017.7 Priority for funding new construction

17071.40 Exemption from increase in school building capacity

17088.3 Qualifications for lease; submission of year-round multitrack educational program study

37202 Equity length of term, exceptions

37220-37223 Saturdays and holidays

37600-37644 Continuous school programs

37670-37672 Multi-track year round scheduling

37680-37695 Concept 6 class scheduling

41420 Minimum number of instructional days per year

42250.1 Funding for air conditioning

42260-42269 Year-Round School Grant Program

46200-46206 Incentives for longer instructional day and year

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

855 Testing period

884 Primary language testing period

14030 School housing standards for multitrack programs

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

California Department of Education, Multitrack Year-Round
Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/fa/yr>

National Association for Year-Round Education: <http://www.nayre.org>

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