



LINCOLN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Lincoln, Massachusetts

**SCHOOL YEAR/SCHOOL CALENDAR**

The School Calendar for the ensuing school year shall be prepared by the Superintendent and presented for School Committee approval each year. All holidays provided by the State law shall be granted to all schools. Every effort will be made to coordinate with Lincoln Sudbury Regional High School.

The Board of Education recommends each School Committee schedule a 185-day school year to provide for the contingency of snow days and other schedule disruptions. A minimum of 180 days is required.

The minimum length of the school year may, at the decision of the School Committee, be determined on the basis of instructional hours in accordance with the provisions of State Board Regulations 603 CMR 27.00.

The Lincoln Public Schools is designated as a K-8 Elementary System. As such the minimum time requirements, for the purposes of reporting to the Department of Education, shall be 900 instructional hours for all students in the district.

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As a matter of principle, however, the School Committee strongly believes that the greatest number of instructional hours should be scheduled as is reasonable. Accordingly, Lincoln's Middle Schools should strive to come as close to 990 instructional hours as possible, the minimum for secondary education, with the elementary schools striving to exceed the minimums established for elementary programs.

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Legal Reference: Ch. 15, Sec. 1G; Sec. 1; Ch. 71, Sec. 37

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