

Alternative Elementary and Secondary Minimum Instructional Time Matrix

Public School Minimum Required Instructional Minutes by Grade Level

Grade Level	Content	Required Minimum Minutes of Instruction Per Day	Required Minimum Minutes of Instruction Per Year	Required Minimum Days of Instruction Per Year	Required Daily Content Specific Instructional Minutes	Required Weekly Content Specific Instructional Minutes	Minimum Modified Minutes of Instruction Per Year
Grade 1 through Grade 12		360	63,720	177			
Grade K-8	Physical Activity						
Grade K-8	Performing Arts						
Grade K-8	Visual Arts						
Grade 4-6	Foreign Language						
Grade 7-8	Foreign Language						
Grade 12	25.0.4.1. 344.6000.46						

Note: Per BESE Bulletin 741 §333 (2) instructional time shall include the scheduled time within the regular school day devoted to teaching courses outlined in the program study. Instructional time does not include: recess, lunch, change of class time, and parent-teacher conferences.

*Total # of instructional minutes per year not less than:

Minimum # of instructional mins. Per day

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Minimum # of instructional days

*Modification of minimum minutes cannot be less than 63,720 minutes per year

Authority:

La. R.S. 17:154.1(A)(1)

BESE Bull. 741 §333 (A) in accordance with La. R.S. 17:154-154.1

*See §333 (A)(a) for policy regarding modifications



Elementary and High School Minimum Required Content Specific Instructional Time by Grade level and Content

Grade Level	Content	Required Daily Content Specific Instructional Minutes	Required Weekly Content Specific Instructional Minutes
Grade K-8	Physical Activity	30	N/A
Grade K-8	Performing Arts	N/A	60
Grade K-8	Visual Arts	N/A	60
Grade 4- 6	Foreign Language	30	N/A
Grade 7-8	Foreign Language	150	N/A

Authority:

BESE Bull. 741 §313(D)(3), (E)and(F)

BESE Bull. 741 §333 (B)

In accordance with La. R.S. 17:154-154.1

Middle and High School Minimum Time Requirements for Carnegie Credits

Grade Level	Content	Required Instructional Minutes Per 1 (One Credit)	Required Minimum Attendance Minutes Per 1 (One) Credit	Required Instructional Minutes Per .5 (One-Half) Credit	Required Minimum Attendance Minutes Per .5 (One-Half) Credit				
Middle	Permitted for	7,965	7,515	3,983	3,758				
Schoolers	All courses								
	(except P.E.)								
Note: Carnegie credits may be earned by middle schoolers based on proficiency in accordance with §314(D) through (H)									
High Schoolers	All courses	As established by DOE	As established by DOE and	As established by DOE and	As established by DOE and				
		and approved by BESE	approved by BESE	approved by BESE	approved by BESE				
Authority:									
BESE Bull. 741 §314(A) and §317(A) and (C) In accordance with La. R.S. 17:154-154.1									