

TEXAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

SCHOOL YEAR

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(LOCAL)

**SCHOOL START DATE** The School may not begin instruction for students for a school year before the fourth Monday in August unless the School operates a year-round system (see below) or is considered exempt from this requirement as a state agency.

**LENGTH OF SCHOOL YEAR** Each school year, the School shall operate for at least 75,600 minutes including time allocated for instruction, intermissions, and recesses for students with consideration given for adjustments to accommodate homegoing.

**EXCEPTIONS** The Commissioner may approve the operation of schools for fewer than the number of minutes specified above when disaster, flood, extreme weather conditions, fuel curtailments, or other calamities have caused the closing of schools.

If the Commissioner does not approve reduced operation time, the School may add additional minutes to the end of the School's normal school hours as necessary to compensate for minutes lost due to school closures caused by disaster, flood, extreme weather conditions, fuel curtailment, or another calamity.

*Education Code 25.081*

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL** The School may not schedule the last day of school for students for a school year before May 15.

**OPTIONAL FLEXIBLE YEAR PROGRAM** To enable the School to provide additional instructional days for an optional extended year program [see EHBC], the School may, with the approval of the Commissioner, provide a number of days of instruction during the regular school year that is not more than ten days fewer than 180 days. *Education Code 29.0821(b)(1)*

**NO INSTRUCTION ON MEMORIAL DAY** The School may not provide student instruction on Memorial Day. If the School would be required to provide student instruction on Memorial Day to compensate for minutes of instruction lost because of school closures caused by disaster, flood, extreme weather conditions, fuel curtailment, or another calamity, the Commissioner shall approve the instruction of students for fewer than the required number of minutes. *Education Code 25.081(f)*

**YEAR-ROUND SCHOOLS** The School may operate its schools year-round on a single or a multi-track system. If it adopts a year-round system, it may modify:

1. The number of contract days of employees and the number of days of operation, including any time required for staff development, planning and preparation, and continuing education, otherwise required by law.
2. Testing dates, data reporting, and related matters.

3. The date of the first day of instruction of the school year under Education Code 25.0811 for a school that was operating year-round for the 2000–01 school year.
4. Students' eligibility to participate in extracurricular activities when their calendar track is not in session.

*Education Code 25.084*

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The Superintendent shall develop an annual school calendar to be approved by the Board.

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