PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE SCHOOL DIVISION

Section I: Instructional Program



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SCHOOL-DAY

"The instructional day in a school must be not less than five and one half (5 ½) hours including recesses but not including the midday intermission, unless the Minister gives specific written approval of other arrangements."

The School Board may, by resolution recorded in its minutes, determine the hours of opening and closing of the school day and, subject to this section, the time and duration of the midday intermission and recesses.

Pupils in grades Kindergarten through grade 6 must be given a midday intermission of at least forty-five (45) minutes and not more than one and one-half (1 ½) hours.

Pupils in grades Kindergarten through grade 4 must be given a recess of a least ten (10) minutes and not more than fifteen (15) minutes each morning and afternoon.

Pupils in grades other than Kindergarten through grade 4 may, at the discretion of the School Board, be given a recess of at least ten (10) minutes and not more than fifteen (15) minutes each morning and afternoon.

If the instructional day is less than five and one-half (5 ½) hours because students have been dismissed for a staff meeting or a Professional Development activity, the lost time must be:

- a) deducted from the ten (10) days set aside for Teacher in-service and related matters; or
- b) added to one or more instructional days that is extended beyond five and one-half (5 ½) hours." (M.R. 101/95)