



**BRANDYWINE
HEIGHTS**
AREA
SCHOOL
DISTRICT

Book	BHASD Policies
Section	800 Operations
Title	School Day
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Purpose

The normal school day for the instruction of district students shall be in accordance with law, regulations and Board policy.

Authority

The Board shall establish the times for the daily sessions of district schools.[\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)[\[3\]](#)[\[4\]](#)

Delegation of Responsibility

The regular school session may be altered temporarily by the Superintendent when such change is in the best interest of students and the district.

The Superintendent may close, delay the opening, or dismiss schools early for emergency reasons and to protect the health and safety of students and staff. The Superintendent or designee shall prepare procedures for proper and timely notification of all concerned, in the event of an emergency closing. Special consideration must be given to interscholastic athletic contests. In all cases, the Superintendent shall inform appropriate stakeholders or the community as soon as possible.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop rules that allow students to enter and leave schools under exceptional conditions so that variances with the normal school schedule may be accommodated. Such rules shall consider such things as inclement weather, illness, urgent reasons and other circumstances.

School cancelations may alter the school calendar with respect to required days of attendance.[\[5\]](#)

Legal

[1. 24 P.S. 1504](#)

[2. 22 PA Code 4.4](#)

[3. 22 PA Code 11.2](#)

[4. 22 PA Code 11.3](#)

5. Pol. 204