

2.004 LENGTH OF SCHOOL DAY

The Riverside Leadership Academy Board of Directors believes that maximizing instructional time is essential to student achievement. The length of the school day shall be determined by calculating the number of school days approved within the adopted school calendar and the necessary instructional hours/school days required by the state.

The Riverside Leadership Academy calendar shall comply with applicable laws concerning educational instruction time. Riverside Leadership Academy shall follow the minimum of **1,025 hours** of instruction guideline set forth by 2012 Senate Bill 187 (Session Law 2012-145) legislation ([Session Law 2012-145](#), [Senate Bill 187, Section 7A.11](#)) regarding that charter schools must meet the requirements of **185 days** or **1,025 hours** of instruction.

The length of the school day shall not be shorter than 6 hours and shall not exceed 8 hours on regular school days. Riverside Leadership Academy's Board of Directors and Executive Director shall work together to establish an appropriate beginning and ending time for regular school days and publicize the bell schedule in conjunction with the annual school calendar. Exceptions to this would include early release school days approved by the Board of Directors within the school calendar. Scheduled early release days shall be publicized within the approved school calendar. The Board of Directors reserves the right to lengthen or shorten the school day throughout the school year to be in compliance with state requirements.