



Days and Hours

MSBO Certification course

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Days and Hours

- Session Agenda
 - Defining a day/hour
 - What does (and doesn't) count
 - Exceptions
 - Calendars and Schedules
 - Calculating FTE
 - 75% attendance
 - Reporting / Deductions
- Questions



Days and Hours

- Defining Days/Hours
 - 1098 hours & 180 days
 - Section 101 of School Aide Act
 - MCL 388.1701



Days and Hours

- HELPFUL HINT
 - To turn the MCL into the section #, and vice versa:
 - 388.1601 is section 1
 - Section 25 is MCL 388.1625
 - 388.1724 is section 124



Days and Hours

- HELPFUL HINT
 - MARSE R340.1754
 - R340.1755
 - Michigan Administrative Rule for Special Education
 - Not MI laws, reference is to IDEA (federal law, no easy conversion)

Defining a Day

- A 'school day' is anytime school is held for a scheduled population of students, REGARDLESS of the duration of time.
 - Full days and half days are school days
 - Days with late start or early dismissal are school days
 - **Note:** ONLY if students receive instruction



Defining a Day

- 180 minimum needed since 16/17
- Exceptions: none



Defining an Hour

- An instructional hour is 60 minutes spent in a classroom receiving instruction from a certified teacher.
 - 1,098 instructional hours required
 - All students K-12

Defining an Hour

- A “certified teacher”.
 - Must have a current MI teacher’s certificate, valid for the grade level & subject.
 - Paraprofessionals are NOT teachers
 - Licensed substitutes are teachers, during their assignment as a substitute.

Defining an Hour

- A “certified teacher”.
- Can be looked up online.
- <https://mdoe.state.mi.us/MOECS/publiccredentialsearch.aspx>
- Public records, anyone can search
- Google ‘Michigan teacher Lookup’



What counts

- A day of instruction counts when:
 - School was scheduled and held for a group of students.
 - Students were in school long enough for instruction to take place.
 - Groups who do NOT attend because of shortened hours, do NOT count a day.

What doesn't count

- A day of instruction does NOT count when:
 - Full day of school was cancelled (and not forgiven)
 - Less than 75% attended, and District **chooses** not to count the day
 - Partial day for those students completely canceled



What counts

- An hour of instruction counts when:
 - Scheduled instruction with a certified teacher
 - Recess
 - Passing time
 - Study Hall



What counts

- Recess counts if:
 - Max of 30 minutes per day
 - Certified teacher must be with students the ENTIRE time
 - May be adjacent to lunch
 - Cannot be before/after school start/ends



What counts

- Passing time counts if:
 - Max of 30 minutes per day
 - May request more if needed due to actual distance traveled
 - Make the request of ISD auditors when submitting calendars/schedules in the fall
 - Cannot be before 1st or after last period
 - Only before OR after lunch, not both



What counts

- Study hall counts if:
 - No more than 2 per day
 - Must be supervised by a certified teacher
 - District provides at least 90 additional hours of instruction (1,188)



What doesn't count

- An hour of instruction does NOT count when:
 - Teacher is not certified
 - Recess before school starts or after it ends (instruction must occur)
 - Recess without a certified teacher on the playground

What doesn't count

- An hour of instruction does NOT count when:
 - Recess in excess of 30 minutes per day
 - Recess for shared time (nonpublic) students (Can be tricky with grade K)
 - Passing before 1st hour, or after last hour
 - Passing before and after lunch (only count one)



What doesn't count

- An hour of instruction does NOT count when:
 - Passing time beyond 30 minutes per day without ISD approval
 - Passing time to another District
 - Study halls not supervised by a certified teacher



What doesn't count

- An hour of instruction does NOT count when:
 - Study halls when District provides less than 1,188 hours per year of instruction
 - Time spent eating breakfast or lunch
 - Cannot call lunch a recess to count



Exceptions

- The rules just explained apply ALWAYS, except
 - Pre-K special education
 - Reduced schedule
 - Offline Seat time waivers
 - Homebound/Homebased



Exceptions

- More exceptions
 - Dual enrollment
 - Alternative ed waivers
 - Professional development time
 - IEP reduced schedules
 - JROTC classes



Exceptions

- Still more exceptions
 - Homeroom
 - Breakfast (w/instruction)
 - Seminar
 - Travel time
 - Forgiven time/days



Pre-K special education

- Two different measurements:
 - Program 191
 - R340.1754
 - Program 270
 - R340.1755 & 1862

Pre-K special education

- Program 191 (rule 1754)
 - Students must receive a minimum of 360 hours and 144 days per year.
 - FTE is calculated by # of hours scheduled and provided divided by 450
 - So MINIMUM FTE should be 0.80 (360/450)
 - So programs with ≥ 450 hours per year can generate 1.00 FTE per student

Pre-K special education

- Program 270 (rule 1755 and 1862)
 - Students must receive a minimum of 2 hours per week, not less than 72 hours per year
 - No explicit day requirement
 - If the student is scheduled for 72 hours, AND attended all scheduled classes during the count period, they count for 0.40 FTE
 - If the student did NOT attend all scheduled classes during the count period, $FTE = 0.4 * (\text{hours provided} / \text{hours scheduled})$



Pre-K special education

- Hours limitation
 - All hours must be for instructional services
 - Support services may be counted towards FTE hours if coordinated by certified teacher
 - (speech, occ. therapy, physical therapy, social work, etc)

Pre-K special education

- Rule 1755 vs 1862
 - All these students are reported as program 270
- 1862
 - Students 1-3 yrs old with IFSP
- 1755
 - Students 2.5 – 5 yrs old with IEP

Pre-K special education

- Rule 1755 vs 1862
 - R1755 students are classed as program 271 by CEPI for reporting to MDE
 - R1862 students are classed as 272
 - CEPI reports in MSDS showing breakdown
 - Staging and certified



GE Reduced schedules

- Grades 9 to 12 only
- Requested by parent or guardian
- Must be in student's best educational interest
 - School/parent decides
- Must be done by student, not by groups

GE Reduced schedules

- Standard schedule
 - More than 4 classes per day
 - Must be scheduled at least 80% to count
 - 878.4 hours minimum
- 4 block schedule
 - Must be scheduled at least 75% to count
 - 823.5 hours minimum

Offline Seat Time Waivers

- Seat Time waivers no longer apply to online courses
- Rule changed for 17/18 school year
- Online programs may be for less than 1098 hours, but no waiver is needed
- Only remaining seat time waivers are for alternative ed. offline programs

Homebound/Homebased

- Homebound students
 - Not able to attend due to health reasons
 - Should be counted as 1.00 FTE
 - Need physician/hospital explanation that student out for more than 5 days
 - Regular ed, 2 45-minute sessions with teacher per week
 - Special ed, 2 non-contiguous 60-minute sessions with teacher per week

Homebound/Homebased

- Homebased students
 - Not able to attend due to suspension or expulsion
 - Must be provided instruction separate from general student population
 - 2 non-contiguous 60-minute session per week with certified teacher

Homebound/Homebased

- Homebased students
 - State mandated vs District policy
 - State mandated – may count as full FTE, if instruction is 1:1
 - Group instruction, count actual hours/1098
- District policy
 - Count actual hours/1098



Dual enrollment

- Students taking college courses
 - Course paid for by district
 - Travel time can be used, but may not be needed
 - Implied reduced schedule – only 80% time needed (75% for block scheduling)

Dual enrollment

- 3 ways to calculate FTE
 - Count of all classes when college course meets daily
 - 5 high school courses + 1 daily college course = 6 hours = 1.00 FTE (if 6 hour HS)
 - 4 high school courses + 1 daily college course = 5 hours / 6 > 80% = 1.00 FTE

Dual enrollment

- 3 ways to calculate FTE
 - College course not meeting daily
 - Percent of full time with college course as % of college full time
 - 4 high school courses out of 6 hour day = 66%
 - 1 3-credit college course (college is 12 credits = full time) $3/12=25\%$
 - $66\%+25\%>80\%=1.00$ FTE



Dual enrollment

- 3 ways to calculate FTE
 - Compute FTE using travel time
 - 2 55-minute classes at HS each day w/5 minutes passing and 50 minutes travel time
 - 3 college courses:
 - 1 90 minute course MWF
 - 2 120 minute courses TR

Dual enrollment

- 3 ways to calculate FTE
 - Compute FTE using travel time
 - HS time: $55+55+5+50=165$ minutes per day *
180 days = 496 hours/year
 - College time: $(90*3) + (120*2*2)=750$
min/week/5=150min/day*180=450 hours/year
 - $496+450=946/1098>80\%= 1.00$ FTE

Alternative ed. waivers

- Waiver for classroom based alternative ed courses
 - Can waive day requirement (145 day min)
 - Can waive hours (878 hour min)
 - Can waive 75% attendance (50% min)

Professional development

- Can count up to 38 hours of professional development as instructional time
- May also count as a day if 5 hours of training occur
- Course must earn SCECH credits
- Content may need to be approved by a District review committee



IEP reduced schedules

- Special ed students medically or emotionally unable to accept full time instruction
- May be counted for 1.00 FTE
- Reduced schedule must be detailed in the IEP
- Need must be documented by a doctor or psychiatrist (not social worker, psychologist)



JROTC Classes

Junior Reserve Officer Training Course

- Exception to certified teacher rule
- JROTC instructors are certified by the military, not MDE
- Count as you would any other course.



Homeroom

- May be counted as instructional time, even if no academic credit is given
- Is not a study hall
- Maximum of 15 minutes



Breakfast (w/instruction)

- Can be counted as instruction
- Must be with certified teacher
- Instruction must be actively being provided while students eat.
- Breakfast may NOT be counted as recess

Lunch (w/instruction)

- NEW for 17/18
- On scheduled $\frac{1}{2}$ days – May be counted as instruction
- Same rules apply (in room, instruction must be given)
- Allowing students to eat on $\frac{1}{2}$ days



Seminar

- Also called Achievement hour, or Focused instructional time
- Academic in nature (not a study hall)
- Tutoring, mentoring, or advising
- Certified teacher must be actively leading class
- Pupil:teacher cannot exceed 35:1



Travel time

- Students in grades 9-12
- Traveling out of district (otherwise it's passing time)
- Cooperative ed, Dual enrollment, special ed, etc.
- 3 hours/week, more with MDE waiver
- Must be ONLY reason student won't reach 1,098 hrs



Forgiven time/days

- Allow closing of school for unforeseen situations (snow days, etc.)
- Conditions not under school control
 - Storms, fire, power outage, mechanical failures, unsafe health conditions, funerals, bomb threats
- District determines if their situation fits the requirements.

Forgiven time/days

- Up to 6 days (and 6 days worth of hours at that building) per year
- Can apply to MDE Superintendent for up to 3 more days (and their hours)
 - Old standard of AFTER April 1, no longer applies

Forgiven time/days

Scenario:

- District scheduled for 180 days, 1,098 hours
- Has 4 snow days, 1 early release (2 hrs early)
- 4 missed days, less than 5 days of hours missed, no correction or penalty needed.

Forgiven time/days

Scenario #2:

- District scheduled for 180 days, 1,105 hours
- Has 6 snow days, 1 early release (4 hrs early)
- 6 missed days, 6 days of hours missed + 4,
 $1,105 - 4 = 1,101 > 1,098$ no correction or penalty needed.

Forgiven time/days

Scenario #3:

- District scheduled for 180 days, 1,105 hours
- Has 7 snow days, 1 early release (4 hrs early)
- 7 missed days, 7 days of hours missed + 4
 - Can reschedule 1 full day (4 hrs in 'extra' above 1,098)
 - OR, can apply for extra forgiven day

Forgiven time/days

Scenario #4: (Quiz time!)

- District scheduled for 180 days, 1,105 hours, day is 6.1 hours long
- Has 10 snow days
- Applied for, and got, waiver for 3 extra days and hours
- So, at $180 \text{ (scheduled)} - 10 \text{ (lost)} + 9 \text{ (forgiven)} = 179 \text{ days}$
- $1,105 \text{ hours (scheduled)} - 61 \text{ (lost)} + 54.9 \text{ (forgiven)} = 1,098.9 \text{ hours}$
- Are they covered?



Forgiven time/days

Scenario #4:

- No
 - Hours are met, days are not
 - Must meet BOTH
 - A day must be rescheduled to avoid penalty
 - Can be partial or full
 - District CAN choose to accept penalty

Forgiven time/days

Scenario #4:

- Quiz
 - Since district only needs to schedule a partial day, can they just add a few hours to an existing partial day?
 - If the scenario was reversed, and they had enough days, but were short 2 hours, could they add to an existing partial day?

Forgiven time/days

- Penalty for falling short and not rescheduling (whole district)
- Days deduction = Annual State Aid/180 days * # of days short = deduction
- Hours deduction = Annual State Aid/1,098 hours * hours short = deduction
- District gets GREATER penalty of the two when both apply



Forgiven time/days

- All penalties use total annual state aid
 - Current State Aid Status report

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- Total number in 'Annual' column

Forgiven time/days

- Example penalty for District with 179 days, 1,092 hours, district wide (assume \$10 million adjusted state aid funding per year)
- Days deduction = $\$10,000,000 / 180 \text{ days} * 1 \text{ day short} = \$55,556$
- Hours deduction = $\$10,000,000 / 1,098 \text{ hours} * 6 \text{ hours short} (1,098 - 1,092) = \$54,645$
- Days deduction is greater, it applies



Forgiven time/days

Building level penalty

- If a building fails to meet the standards in a district that DID meet them everywhere else, penalty is adjusted by building's proportion of the district population.

Forgiven time/days

- Example penalty for **building** with 179 days, 1,092 hours, district wide (assume \$10 million state aid funding)
District of 6,000 students, 400 in building
- Days deduction = $\$10,000,000 / 180 \text{ days} * 1 \text{ day short} = \$55,556 * (400 / 6,000) = \$3,704$
- Hours deduction = $\$10,000,000 / 1,098 \text{ hours} * 6 \text{ hours short} (1,098 - 1,092) = \$54,645 * (400 / 6,000) = \$3,643$
- Days deduction is greater, it applies
- MDE may not collect deductions < \$500



Calendars and Schedules

Calendar

List of all your school days for the year, full, partial, and the hours each meets for

Schedule

How each day is broken down into periods, passing time, recess, lunch, etc.



Calendars

Reported to your ISD auditor at the beginning of the school year

Common calendar – District must have the same winter holiday and spring break as all other Districts in the ISD unless granted a waiver by MDE.

1st day of school must be after Labor Day unless waived for year-round program



Calendars

Pre-Labor Day Waiver

- MDE **MUST** be at your public hearing if you are applying for a new or renewal of your waiver
- Takes time to schedule – **START EARLY!!**

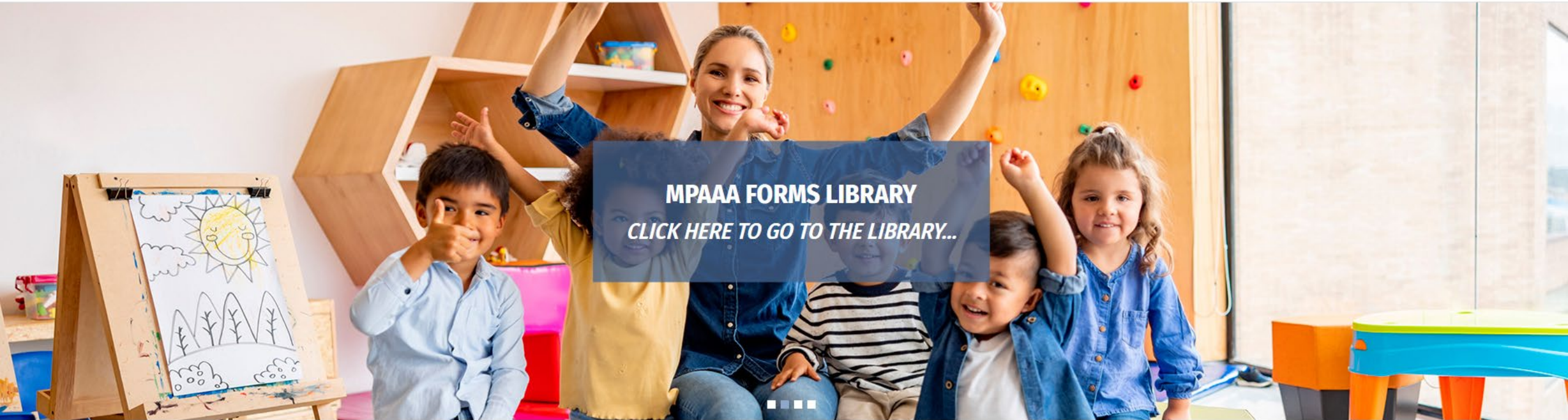


Building Calendars

- Within a District, you can report 1 calendar if every building has the same full and partial days during year
 - Hours can vary, but days may not
 - Partial days must be the same dates, not just the same count
- If a building has a different day off than rest (or closes for forgiven day), then it is on it's own calendar, and must be tracked & reported separately.

Building Calendars

- http://mpaaa.org/Pupil_Auditing_Forms
- Calendar form for your use
- https://mpaaa.starchapter.com/images/downloads/Pupil_Auditing/2021_2022_mpaaa_days_and_clock_hours.xlsx



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Building Calendars

(Jump to XLS Spreadsheet)



Building Schedules

- Schedule of full & partial days
- Showing when each class starts, ends
- Passing time, recess, lunch
- If all partial days are not identical, list each out
- Typically done for every building



Building Schedules

(Jump to XLS Spreadsheet)

Calendars and Schedules

- Hints
 - Set lunch passing the same for every school
 - DO NOT accept building generated schedules – Put them in YOUR form to see what they did wrong
 - Cannot start working with schools too early
 - Send again prior to Feb. count

Calendars and Schedules

- Pitfalls
 - Mid-year schedule change
 - “But that’s how it was last year!”
 - Special ed students dismissed before/after regular ed.
 - Schedules returned too fast

Schedules and FTE

- FTE calculators
 - Fall & Spring count
 - Part time students
 - 10/30 day rule
 - Special ed FTE
 - Audit deductions
 - Need to turn a partial schedule into FTE

Schedules and FTE

- FTE calculators
 - MPAAA Website
 - Traditional and block FTE calculators
 - Can function as report of building schedule & compute partial FTE
 - MPAAA members only



Building Calendars

(Jump to XLS calculator
Spreadsheets)

75% Attendance

- Section 101 (3)
 - For any day of school:
 - 75% of scheduled students must attend
 - Scheduled – Buildings/grades that are not holding class that day do NOT count
 - Forgiven day for 1 building, grades not attending during exams



75% Attendance

- Exceptions (of course!)
 - For days ADDED after scheduled end of year – must be 60% or greater
 - Rescheduled days due to exceeding forgiven allowance
 - Alternative ed programs – can apply for waiver, down to 50%



75% Attendance

- MSDS Attendance Reporting
 - Also reporting daily attendance, but at a different standard
 - MSDS – Was student there 50% of day or more?
 - 75% reporting - was student there AT ALL?
- Need to track BOTH methods

75% Attendance

- Penalty
 - Adjusted state aid divided by 180 multiplied by percent below target (usually 75%)
 - If day is at 70%, then penalty is 5% (75-70) of 1 day's adjusted state aid
 - Same for 60% days, or 50% alternative ed programs

75% Attendance

- Penalty example
 - Adjusted state aid = \$10 million, has 1 day with District attendance at 68%
 - $\$10,000,000 / 180 = \$55,556$ per day
 - $\$55,556 * .07 (.75 - .68) = \$3,888$
- NOTE: MDE does not assess penalties below \$500



75% Attendance

- BE AWARE!
 - Penalty for attendance does NOT account for how many students were supposed to be in attendance.
 - If 1 small school only one in session that day, ENTIRE district state aid still at risk.
 - Avoid days when only 1 school is in session

Example

- #1
 - District originally scheduled for 180 days, 1098.25 hours
 - District canceled 3 days for snow
 - District canceled 1 day for funeral of a student
 - District canceled 1 day for grand opening of local sports venue
 - Does district need to make any adjustments to make minimums?
 - What options do they have?

Example

- #2
 - District originally scheduled for 180 days, 1098.25 hours
 - District canceled 4 days for snow
 - District canceled 1 day for funeral of a student
 - District has 2 days with attendance below 75%
 - Does district need to make any adjustments to make minimums?
 - What options do they have?

Reporting to MDE

- DS-4168
 - Certified by 7/15 at the end of each year
 - Reports hours, days, forgiven days, days below 75%, PD time
 - District certifies by 7/15, ISD certifies by 8/1
 - Be sure to let your ISD know when you have certified

Reporting to MDE

- 16/17 and on
 - Exception based reporting
 - Report what didn't make 1098, 180, 75%
 - Certify that everything else did
 - MUCH faster, easier reporting
- MDE only used data for penalties, so no need to report what did make the minimums.

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