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LAFAYETTE CHARTER SCHOOL POLICY No. 6.2 LENGTH OF SCHOOL YEAR AND SCHOOL CALENDAR

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide for a timely determination of the school calendar.

II. POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of Lafayette Charter School to provide no less than the minimum requirements for instructional hours and length of school year established by Minnesota law.

II. LENGTH OF SCHOOL YEAR AND ANNUAL CALENDAR

- A. The school calendar will be adopted annually by the Board of Directors of Lafayette Charter School. The annual school calendar must include at least 425 hours of instruction for a half day kindergarten student without a disability, 850 hours of instruction for kindergarten students who attend full day; 935 hours of instruction for a student in grades 1 through 6, and 1,020 hours of instruction for a student in grades 7 through 8, not including summer school.
- B. Lafayette Charter School's annual calendar will include at least 165 days of instruction for a student in grades 1 through 8.
- C. Lafayette Charter School may not adopt a four-day week schedule unless approved by the commissioner under the Flexible Learning Year Program statute.
- D. The school calendar will establish student days, workshop days for staff, provide for emergency closings and other information related to students, staff and parents.
- E. Lafayette Charter School may provide instruction throughout the year and is not subject to the provision preventing schools from beginning the school year prior to Labor Day of each year.

Legal References: Minn. Stat. §124D.10, subd. 13 (Length of School Year)
Minn. Stat. §§124D.12 to 124D.127 (Flexible Learning Year Programs)
Minn. Stat. §124D.128 (Learning Year Program to Provide Instruction Throughout Year)
Minn. Stat. §120A.41 (Length of School Year; Days of Instruction)

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