

AN ACT relating to nonteaching time for teachers.

***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

➔Section 1. KRS 158.060 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) Twenty (20) school days, or days in which teachers are actually employed in the schoolroom, shall constitute a school month in the common schools.
- (2) Each full-time teacher shall be provided with a duty-free lunch period each day during the regularly scheduled student lunch period. The duty-free lunch period shall be not less than the length of the lunch period specified in the school calendar approved by the chief state school officer. A full-time teacher may be assigned to lunch room duty during the regularly scheduled student lunch period only for an amount of time equal to the noninstructional time in excess of sixty (60)~~fifty-five (55)~~ minutes included in the teacher's daily schedule. The calculation of noninstructional time shall not include the teacher's duty-free lunch period, the time teachers are required to be at school prior to the start of the student's instructional day, or the time teachers are required to remain at school after the students are dismissed.
- (3) Except for children with disabilities and children attending the primary school program who may attend a program of less than six (6) hours per day under policy adopted by the local school district board of education and approved by the commissioner of education and children attending a school district where the local board has approved a schedule that provides at least the equivalent of six (6) hours of daily instruction during the school year, a minimum of six (6) hours of actual school work shall constitute a school day. Kindergarten programs may be operated for less than six (6) hours without state board approval. The Kentucky Board of Education, upon recommendation of the chief state school officer, shall develop and approve regulations governing make up by school districts of whole days missed due to emergencies, or partial days missed as a result of shortening regularly

scheduled school days due to emergencies.

- (4) **(a)** *All full-time* teachers shall be provided **a minimum of sixty (60) minutes per student attendance day**~~[additional time]~~ for nonteaching activities. **A minimum of one hundred twenty (120) minutes per week shall be self-directed and shall be reduced proportionally if a school week does not contain five (5) student attendance days. The self-directed time may**~~[The nonteaching time shall]~~ be used:~~[ ]~~

**1. For planning time to collaborate on curriculum development and articulation;**

**2. To examine student work and review student performance data;**

**3. To plan instruction and discuss instructional strategies to close achievement gaps;**

**4. To support professional growth and effectiveness;**

**5.** To provide teachers opportunities for professional development activities as provided in KRS 156.095;~~[, instructional planning, ]~~

**6. For** school-based decision making as provided in KRS 160.345;~~[, curriculum development, ]~~ and~~[ ]~~

**7. For** outreach activities involving their students' families and the community.

**(b) The provisions of this subsection shall not supplant those established in an existing employer-employee bargained contract.**

- (5) Character education programs and activities shall be considered valuable and legitimate components of the actual school work constituting a school day under subsection (3) of this section.