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**Note:** This local policy has been revised in accordance with the District's [innovation plan](#).<sup>1</sup>

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**School Calendar**

The Superintendent shall be authorized to approve variations from the Board-adopted school calendar, as necessary.

School Start Date

In accordance with the District's innovation plan, the District is exempt from the state law that generally prohibits instruction for students from beginning before the fourth Monday in August. Instruction for students shall begin no earlier than the third Monday in August.

**School Closure**

The Board delegates to the Superintendent the authority to close schools for reasons of public health and safety.

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<sup>1</sup> Innovation Plan: <http://home.arpisd.org/Arpisd-blog/districtofinnovationdoi-information>