



The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington

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All Archdiocesan elementary schools shall develop a daily schedule by grade level consistent with the minimum requirements of instructional minutes required by in the Catholic Schools Office guidelines.

School Schedule-Instructional Minutes Policy 3532

Instructional Minutes for Grades K-5

Subject	Minutes per day	Minutes per week
ELA	120	600
Math	60	300
Religion	30	150
Science	30	150
Social Studies	30	150
Specials*	30	150

Instructional Minutes for Grades 6-8

Subject	Minutes per day	Minutes per week
ELA	75	375
Math	60	300
Religion	45	225
Science	45	225
Social Studies	45	225
Specials*	45	225

- Schools are required to be in session for a minimum of 6.5 hours per day, Monday through Friday, exclusive of applicable Holy Days, holidays, and any other pertinent events or activities as indicated on the school calendar
- Liturgy within the school day may be counted toward religion instructional minutes



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Minutes can be met on a daily or weekly basis:

- Homeroom in non-instructional time unless a teacher is conducting and documenting instruction
- Specials*
 - Physical Education
 - Fine Arts - Music, Dance, Theatre, Art-*Choose One or More*
 - Library/Media/Technology-*Choose One*
- World Language Requirement - Each local school system shall provide a comprehensive, sequential world languages instructional program beginning not later than the middle learning years (COMAR 13A.04.11.01)

References

[The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington Curriculum and Standards](#)

COMAR-[13A.09.09.10](#) Administrative Practices-Schedule of a School Day

COMAR-[13A.09.10.19](#) Educational Program-Daily Schedule and Yearly Calendar

COMAR-[13A.09.10.15](#) Educational Program-Requirements for General Education Programs

COMAR-[13A.04.08.01](#)-Requirements for Social Studies Instructional Programs-Grades PK-12

COMAR-[13A.04.09.01](#)-Science Instructional Programs for Grades PK-12

COMAR-[13A.04.12.01](#)-Mathematics Instructional Programs for Grades PK-12

COMAR-[13A.04.13.01](#)-Physical Education Instructional Programs for Grades PK-12

COMAR-[13A.04.14.01](#)-English Language Arts/Literacy Instructional Programs-Grades PK-12

COMAR-[13A.04.16.01](#)-Requirements for Fine Arts (Dance, Media, Music, Theater, Visual)
Instructional Programs for Grades PK-12

COMAR-[13A.04.11.01](#)-Sequential World Languages Instructional Program