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**Rationale**

While schools are subject to requirement of the Ministry of Education and the policies of Catholic Independent Schools, Diocese of Victoria, local circumstances differ and each Local School Council must approve the hours of operation for their school which meets these minimum requirements while taking into account local circumstances (e.g. bussing schedules over which the local board has no control may be a factor in establishing the school day).

**Policy**

The hours and length of the school day shall be approved by each Local School Council.

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