



**POLICY 3234**  
**YEAR-ROUND EDUCATION PROGRAM**  
**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**COMMENT PERIOD ENDS: FEBRUARY 16, 2001**

Policy 3234 provides for the operation of year-round schools. The policy was first effective in June 1992.

The revisions proposed allow the State Board to approve the operation of a year-round school for a period of up to three years. The policy currently provides for approval for a period of only one year.

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TITLE 126  
LEGISLATIVE RULE  
WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SERIES 73  
YEAR-ROUND EDUCATION PROGRAMS (3234)

OFFICE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
SECRETARY OF STATE

**§126-73-1. General.**

1.1. Scope. This policy provides the opportunity for school(s) or school districts to receive approval to establish, operate and maintain year-round education programs in West Virginia.

1.2. Authority. ~~West Virginia Code 18-5-15 School terms; exceptions; levies; ages of persons to whom schools are open~~

West Virginia Constitution, Article XII, §2; West Virginia Code §§ 18-2-5 and 18-5-15

1.3. Filing Date.

1.4. Effective Date.

1.5. Replaced Policy. ~~None~~ This is a revision of the policy that became effective 6/14/92.

**§126-73-2. Purpose.**

2.1. The purpose of this policy is to provide more flexibility to local school districts to create programs and formats that will best meet the educational needs of students by providing the opportunity for schools and school districts to conduct year-round education.

**§126-73-3. Application.**

3.1. In order to operate a year-round school, a county board of education must submit a proposal to the West Virginia Board of Education requesting permission to establish, operate and maintain a year-round education program to be conducted in a school(s) or county school district.

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3.2. A county board of education requesting permission to establish, operate and maintain a year-round education program in a school(s) or school district shall submit a school calendar designating the instructional days, employment term and the year-round education format.

3.3. Approval may be granted for a period of no more than three years ~~one year~~ and may be renewed. ~~annually~~.

3.4. This policy does not require the establishment of year-round education, therefore, proposals will be submitted and reviewed on a school by school or county school district by county school district basis.

### §126-73-4. Proposals.

4.1. A proposal to establish, operate and maintain a year-round education program must be approved by the county superintendent and the county board of education prior to being submitted to the West Virginia Board of Education.

4.2. Proposals must include a rationale for the establishment of the year-round education program and illustrate how student learning will be enhanced in a year-round education program. The rationale and enhanced learning must be supported by research and documentation.

4.3. Personnel, professional and service, employed at the school or schools which will have year-round education programs must be allowed to consider employment at the school or schools.

4.4. Schools operating on a year-round education schedule will be designated schools for all children within the school attendance area and will be available to students outside the attendance area according to county policy.

4.5. Parents within the year-round education school attendance area may have the option of transferring their child or children to another school as per county policy.

4.6. In addition to a school calendar, counties will submit additional fiscal and other data as required by the State Superintendent of Schools.

4.7. Proposals being presented to the West Virginia Board of Education by a school or school district must be submitted prior to January 1 of the first year for which approval to operate a in which the year-round education calendar is sought to be implemented. Proposals for renewal must be submitted prior to January 1 of the last school year for which approval was received.

## FISCAL NOTE WORKSHEET

(Submit 4 Copies)

PROJECT NO \_\_\_\_\_ DRAFT NO \_\_\_\_\_ BILL NO \_\_\_\_\_ RESOLUTION NO \_\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT Policy 3234 Year-Round Education Program FUND \_\_\_\_\_

SOURCE OF REVENUE:  GENERAL FUND  SPECIAL  OTHER (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

COST OF ESTIMATE BASED ON:  AN ORIGINAL ESTIMATE  BUDGET BILL  OTHER (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

COME ESTIMATE BASED ON:  AN ORIGINAL ESTIMATE  BUDGET BILL  OTHER (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

**SHOW OVER-ALL EFFECT IN ITEMS 1 AND 2 & GIVE EXPLANATION OF BREAKDOWN BY FISCAL YEAR INCLUDING LONG-RANGE EFFECT**

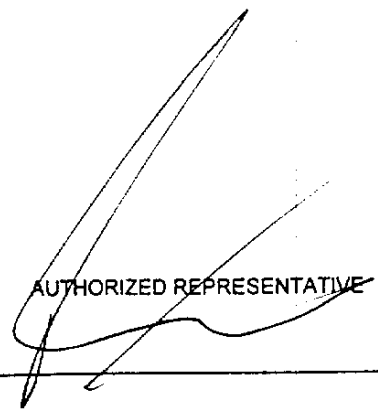
EFFECT OF PROPOSAL	ANNUAL		FISCAL YEAR		
	INCREASE	DECREASE	CURRENT	NEXT 01-02	THEREAFTER
1. ESTIMATED TOTAL COST	\$ - 0 -	\$ - 0 -	\$ - 0 -	\$ - 0 -	\$ - 0 -
PERSONAL SERVICES CURRENT EXPENSES REPAIRS/ALTERATIONS EQUIPMENT OTHER	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
2. ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES	\$ - 0 -	\$ - 0 -	\$ - 0 -	\$ - 0 -	\$ - 0 -

3. EXPLANATION OF ABOVE ESTIMATES (INCLUDING LONG-RANGE EFFECT):

DATE  
January 3, 2001

AGENCY  
West Virginia Department of Education

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE



**RESPONSE FORM**

**Policy 3234: Year-Round Education Programs**

**Directions: Please use this form to comment on proposed Policy 3234: Year-Round Education Programs.**

Individual/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Comments on Policy 3234: Year-Round Education Programs**

**§126-10-2. Purpose.**

**§126-10-3. Application.**

**§126-10-4. Proposals.**

**RETURN BY FEBRUARY 16, 2001 TO:**

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