

## **The Vanguard School**

### **POLICY: Vanguard ID – School Day / Instructional Time**

**POLICY ADOPTED: 8-19-2020**

The Board defines “actively engaged in the educational process” as time when students are working toward achieving educational objectives under the direction or supervision of a teacher. This time may include:

- Classroom instruction time
- Individual student work time while at school, including study hall, tutorial, and activity period
- School-related field trips
- Independent study
- Assemblies, including Friday Assemblies
- Passing periods

For in-person instruction, calculations for contact time calculated as “actively engaged in the educational process” shall not include:

- Lunch
- Teacher preparation time

For the 2020-21 school year, in response to the requirements of COVID and the flexibilities made available by the state, the Board expands its definition of “educational process” to include:

- Distance learning instruction (including that delivered electronically)
- Distance learning, independent work time for students as directed and monitored by educators

For distance learning, calculations for contact time may be based off academic content covered, student demonstrations of learning, estimated times for students to complete independent work, and/or other methods identified by the school to compare in-person learning to distance learning. Additional information about how teacher-pupil instruction will occur during distance learning days as well as a daily schedule equivalency statement shall be further detailed in in The Vanguard School Reopening Plan for 2020-2021.