

**DIOCESE OF DAVENPORT
SCHOOLS OFFICE**

Suggested Elementary School Curriculum Time Allotments

The Iowa Department of Education no longer stipulates a specific time allotment for each elementary school subject. However, the following time allotment suggestions can serve as a guide for the school as it prepares its curriculum schedules for each grade.

CURRICULUM AREA	GRADE 1	GRADE 2	GRADE 3	GRADE 4	GRADE 5	GRADE 6-8
Religion	+150	+150	+150	+200	+200	+225
*Language Arts	+650	+650	+650	+450	+475	+450
Spelling	+75	+75	+75	+100	+100	Integrated
Handwriting	+100	+100	+75	+75	+75	Integrated
Mathematics	+150	+150	+150	+200	+200	+225
Social Studies	90	90	90	+200	+200	+225
Science/Health/Safety	90	90	90	200	200	225
Music	60	60	60	60	60	45
Physical Education	60	60	60	60	60	60
Art	60	60	60	60	60	45
Recess, etc.	100	100	100			
Guidance	30	30	30	40	45	45

*If reading is taught in a separate period for grades four through eight-use these time allotments:

				Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6-8
Reading				300	250	225
Language Arts				150	225	225

+Recommended these classes be provided daily

SCHOOL DAY: A school day, exclusive of lunch periods, must have a minimum of 330 minutes. Breaks and time for entering and leaving the building are included in the daily time requirement. A schedule of time aids in keeping the learning progressing at a satisfactory rate.

The principal must have a copy of each teacher's daily schedule.