

**ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

The Board of Education (Board) recognizes the need for affordable alternative education programs for some students.

"Alternative education" means a program provided for students in a nontraditional educational setting to meet their social, emotional, behavioral and academic needs. The Board shall be guided by the regulations of the State Board of Education as to the purpose and expectation of alternative education, criteria for student eligibility, and criteria for how and when a student may enter or exit alternative education. Alternative education programs must comply with state laws pertaining to the number and length of school days in an academic year and all other applicable laws.

The Board may form a cooperative arrangement with other boards of education, to provide alternative education pursuant to C.G.S. section 10-158a.

Legal Reference:      Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-4p(b) Implementation plan to achieve resource equity and equality of opportunity. Assessment. Reports. (as amended by PA 15133)  
                                 Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-15 Towns to maintain schools.  
                                 Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-16 Length of school year.  
                                 Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-158a Cooperative arrangements among towns. School building projects. Student transportation.  
                                 Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-220 Duties of boards of education (as amended by PA 15133).  
                                 Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-223h(c) Commissioner's network of schools. Turnaround committees. Operations and instructional audit. Turnaround plans. Report. (as amended by PA 15133)  
                                 PA 15133 An Act Concerning Alternative Education