

## Richmond County School System Instructional Elementary Minutes Expectations

It is expected that elementary administrators will use the minutes below to create instructional schedules.

Kindergarten	Minutes	First Grade	Minutes	Second Grade	Minutes
ELA/Reading and Writing Block*	160	ELA/Reading and Writing Block	160	ELA/Reading and Writing Block	160
Math Block*	100	Math Block	100	Math Block	100
SEL Instruction*	20	Science/Social Studies Block	30	Science/Social Studies Block	30
Rest	30	SEL Instruction	20	SEL Instruction	20
Lunch	30	Lunch	30	Lunch	30
Recess**	15	Recess**	15	Recess**	15
Specials	30	Specials	30	Specials	30
Total Number of Minutes					
Total Number of Minutes	<b>385</b>	Total Number of Minutes	<b>385</b>	Total Number of Minutes	<b>385</b>

\*Science and social studies standards should be integrated into the Reading, Writing, Math and SEL blocks for Kindergarten.

\*\*Recess: Schools should schedule quality play time and movement as the schedule allows. If you are interested in learning more about Best Practices related to recess, here are some resources worth reviewing:

1. Responsive Classroom chapter entitled [Playground](#).
2. [Playworks.org](http://Playworks.org)
3. [Brain Gym](#) and [Brain Breaks](#)

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Third Grade	Minutes	Fourth Grade	Minutes	Fifth Grade	Minutes
ELA/Reading and Writing Block	160	ELA/Reading and Writing Block	90	ELA/Reading and Writing Block	90
Math Block	100	Math Block	90	Math Block	90
Science Block	20	Science Block	45	Science Block	45
Social Studies Block	20	Social Studies Block	45	Social Studies Block	45
Lunch	30	Lunch	30	Lunch	30
**Recess	15	Recess	15	Recess	15
Specials	30	Specials	30	Specials	30
SEL Instruction	20	+Personalized Learning	50	+Personalized Learning	50
Total Number of Minutes					
Total Number of Minutes	<b>395</b>	Total Number of Minutes	<b>395</b>	Total Number of Minutes	<b>395</b>

+Personalized Learning: Schools should schedule 25 minutes for Math and 25 minutes for ELA daily for enrichment or intervention.

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