

D833 time allotment recommendations for K-12 core LANGUAGE ARTS curriculum

- Recommendation is based on the Minnesota State Standards in Language Arts and represents the minimum time needed to meet standards.
- The Minnesota Department of Education does not publish recommendations regarding minutes of instruction for each content area.
- Per Minnesota State law, the 2003 standards were fully implemented by the 2007-2008 school year.

Grade	MDE Standards Requirements	D833 Framework			To make note of...
	# of benchmarks 2003 standards	Minutes per day	Minimum days per week	Full or partial year	
K	37	75 minutes	5 days	full year	Based on a ½ day kindergarten program.
1	54	150 minutes	5 days	full year	
2	53	150 minutes	5 days	full year	
3	47	120 minutes	5 days	full year	
4	51	120 minutes	5 days	full year	
5	53	120 minutes	5 days	full year	
6	56	120 minutes	5 days	full year	
Language Arts 7	60	60 minutes	5 days	full year	
Language Arts 8	55	60 minutes	5 days	full year	
English 9-12	60	60 minutes	5 days	full year	MCA exam given at the end of 10 th grade for graduation.
Speech 11 or 12	6	60 minutes		1/3 of the year	