ACADEMIC INSTRUCTIONAL TIME

WHEREAS, "A Nation at Risk" recommends a more effective use of the existing school day to teach academics; and WHEREAS, There is a growing concern among educators that the school must seek to improve the quality and quantity of actual academic instructional time for students during the average school day; and WHEREAS, Studies also indicate that during the average school day the time in academic instruction in some schools total only three and one-half hours; therefore, be it RESOLVED, That the Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers, its units and councils, urge local school districts to explore ways to increase the actual academic instructional time; and be it further RESOLVED, That the Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers, its units and councils, support the efforts of the local school districts to make a more effective use of the school day.

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