Waelder ISD 2027-2028 Proposed Calendar (ADSY Full Year), Draft 2

What changed from the 2026-2027 calendar, and how each planning priority was handled

Your Planning Priorities

Priority	2026-2027	2027-2028 Draft 2	Status
Full shutdown from Thanksgiving to January (dismiss on Tuesday of Thanksgiving week)	Thanksgiving week off (Nov 23-27) Winter break Dec 21 - Jan 1	Students dismissed Tuesday, Nov 23 Off Nov 24-26 School Nov 29 - Dec 17 Winter break Dec 20 - Jan 2	**Partly met**
Fall Break at the end of the first grading period	Fall Break Oct 19-23 (middle of the 2nd six weeks)	1st six weeks ends Oct 1 Fall Break Oct 11-15	**Met**
Spring Break the 3rd week of March	Mar 15-19	Mar 13-17	**Met**
Limited disruptions before state testing	Not specified	No PD or ADSY days during the state SST testing windows (Apr 3-14 and May 1-19)	**Met (please confirm with your testing coordinator)**
PD day at the end of each grading period	PD after each grading period	Oct 4, Nov 19, Jan 31, Mar 10, May 22, Jul 14	**Met**
Start PD and students a week later than this year	New Teacher Orientation Aug 5 In-service starts Aug 6 First day Tue, Aug 18	New Teacher Orientation Aug 12 In-service starts Aug 13 First day Tue, Aug 24	**Met**
Mid-week first day for students (Tues or Wed)	Tuesday, Aug 18	Tuesday, Aug 24	**Met**
One or two PD days before students return after Christmas break	PD Jan 4; students back Jan 5	PD Jan 3; students back Jan 4	**Met**
Bad weather days after mid-February	Jan 18 and Mar 26	Feb 21 and May 26	**Met**
Easter weekend off (Friday and Monday)	Good Friday (Mar 26) was a bad weather day; Easter Monday was a school day	Off Friday, Apr 14 and Monday, Apr 17	**Met**

Note on the Partly Met Item

Closing all of Thanksgiving through December would take out 15 more school days. With the later start and the other breaks, that would push the last day of school to about August 9, 2028, which runs into the next school year. Draft 2 keeps students dismissed on Tuesday of Thanksgiving week and gives a two-week winter break (Dec 20 - Jan 2) instead.