

## 2018-19 Calendar Survey Comments

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- Parent/P Option A N Why can't the first day of school be at the beginning of a week? Why not start the school year earlier so that they don't have Memorial Day at the end off then a few days then last day of school.
- Parent/P Option A N It works better for the students and parents to have full weeks of school rather than two days before Christmas and two days at New Years. I'm sure the learning is better also, especially around the holidays.
- Parent/P Option A N Go back Jan 3rd and add a 3rd trimester PTC!!!!!!!!!!
- Parent/P Option A P I like the idea of the kids having a full week when they come back from Christmas break. It seems like it would be easier for them to get back into school work and be more focused.
- Parent/P Option A P We go out of town over the holidays, so the students having this amount of time off over Christmas is helpful with traveling.
- Parent/P Option A P Thank you for asking for the communities opinion and impute on items that affect us all. Why do we have to have a whole week off for thanksgiving? Over Christmas I would prefer my kids went back from Christmas break on the 3rd or 4th. It would be nice if our kids got out earlier for summer break.
- Parent/P Option A N I'm afraid I don't understand why we have to have early release on PTC days. I understand that my children's school is only one of many in this district, however, there are always several openings throughout the allotted times. Why are we increasing the amount of time the teachers have to sit there waiting for parents to show up? I will have a child in kindergarten next year and I'm concerned that she will end up having three less days of school than her siblings due to the changes in PTC scheduling. What is the plan to fix this?
- Parent/P Option A N Why are we going until the last week of May! I hate having memorial day off then coming back for 2 days of wasted TIME!!
- Parent/P Option A N 3 weeks Christmas break
- Parent/P Option A N I would rather have my kids home more days after Christmas not before Christmas
- Parent/P Option A P Thank you for not doing an early release day each week. I think they are silly. Also thank you for keeping inservices on Thursday and Fridays. I don't like when they are on Monday and Tuesdays. It is hard to get my students motivated halfway through the week. Christmas break does not need to be any longer! Option A is way too long. No need for a week off during Thanksgiving break. Why not shorten Thanksgiving break and get out before Memorial Day?
- Parent/P Option B N I like the dates for breaks in November and December
- Parent/P Option B P I like calendar B because I am very busy at work in January and calendar A goes to far into January.
- Parent/P Option B N Here's a little explanation for my reasoning. I'm not sure what the point of going back to school after Memorial Day will be if they only have 2 1/2 days. Christmas break always seems WAY too long! I would love it if they would essentially do calendar option B, but instead of having the 19-21 off just do an early realease on the 21st and take those extra 2 1/2 days off and put them at the end of the school year so the last day of school is the 24th. Kids won't be as attentive or really even care when they come back from a break and only have a couple days left so those last few days will be wasted days anyway. In my opinion we might as well just make it useful.
- Parent/P Neither - |

I would much rather see a calendar with fewer days off at Christmas (take away Dec. 20 & 21 on Calendar A or Dec. 19, 20 & 21 on Calendar B). Kids get bored being home that long in the cold weather. It would leave families three days to get wherever they're going for the holidays, and plenty of time to return home afterward. Then the Last Day of school could be May 24 and the kids wouldn't need to go back to school after Memorial Day weekend. Fewer days off at Christmas and end school before Memorial Day.

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We usually travel for the holidays and spend Christmas and New Years with our family from out of town, so I like the idea of having a day or two after New Years to get home and get ready for my students. This would allow time for the buses to come to the schools and get all students home before PTC starts. It seems as though we begin the school year earlier and we now go later in the year. Other districts have an entire week at Thanksgiving, same Christmas break and Martin Luther King Day off. Do we go more contract days than other districts? I like having the week after New Years off. I would like more student contact days 170 days is not enough time to teach what is required of me. To teach in the preschool some students attend 2 days, some 3 days, and some 4 days. The preschool does this to make sure we are keeping the classes small. Professional development is a great idea but is always taken advantage of. I think it would be better if we had less days and more options to choose from on those days that are appropriate for my needs. I love learning about technology, but I have 1 Ipad in my classroom that is old and can not be updated anymore.

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As a parent and as a staff member, can we PLEASE get back to being done with school the Friday before Memorial Day? I have talked with many parents who feel that coming back after Memorial Day is really hard. When we get that late in the year the kids are beyond ready to be done as are parents and staff as well. Graduation is long over by then and it just seems more logical to be done at that same time. PT conference after a full day of work is exhausting. I can't imagine it brings out the best in anyone.

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Preschool out 1 week before last day of school. Graduation dates the last week of school. By changing to the above suggestions student instructional days will be 173. Have all schools on the same schedule - trimester, semesters, etc. The work day, PTC and end of trimester, semester, etc. would be the same for all schools (this includes Mt. Harrison).

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Staff Member	Neither	-	N	I don't think going to school after Memorial Day is wise. Attendance by students will be down significantly, and teachers will have to give students zeroes for the final exams/work they miss on those days.
Staff Member	Neither	-	N	I'm wondering why school is extended beyond Memorial Day. Do we need to have such a long break at Christmas or Thanksgiving?
Student	Option A			idk Christmas break stay the same
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Student	Option A		N	As a student I would like to get put of school earlier than May 30!!
Student	Neither	-		So we don't have to go more school days after a holiday
Student	Neither	-		I prefer Community Calendar Option A. i don't think this is fair as students we should get a choice, the fact that this is happening is just dumb, why cant we just keep a normal schedule, if parents think we get too much time off well too bad let us enjoy our breaks, i have a suggestion we go into June like normal schools do, and put two weeks off Christmas break and a week off in thanksgiving, that solves a lot of issues, thank you.
Student	Neither	-		School never used to go past Memorial Day. Why did you change that? Please change it back.
Student	Neither	-	N	School should not go past Memorial Day.