

2025-26 School Year Calendar Design and Recommendations

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Statute/Policy/Practice Supported Parameters (602)

- ❑ At least 165 Student Days
- ❑ 184 Teacher work days
- ❑ 187 Days for new teachers
 - ❑ 3 Additional days prior to workshop
- ❑ Five non-student days for PD and prep
 - ❑ One must be after 1st semester
 - ❑ One must be placed in preparation for fall conferences
 - ❑ One must be placed in preparation for spring conferences



Policy/Practice Supported Parameters (602)

- ❑ Four workshop days prior to first day
- ❑ One end-of-year professional day after the last student day
- ❑ Must start after Labor Day unless special circumstance
- ❑ Minimum four K-12 Family Conference days; Two fall, Two spring

Policy Supported Parameters (602)

- ❑ Labor Day
- ❑ Two Days in October for the annual MEA convention
- ❑ Thanksgiving and the Friday after Thanksgiving
- ❑ A Winter Break of at least seven days (*excluding weekends*)
- ❑ MLK Jr Day
- ❑ Memorial Day
- ❑ Juneteenth



Design Teamwork

- ❑ Students
- ❑ Parents
- ❑ Administrators
- ❑ Teachers
- ❑ Liaisons
- ❑ Wendy Drugge and
Chris Bellmont = Co-Facilitators



Grounded in policy, our Core Values and CPSS

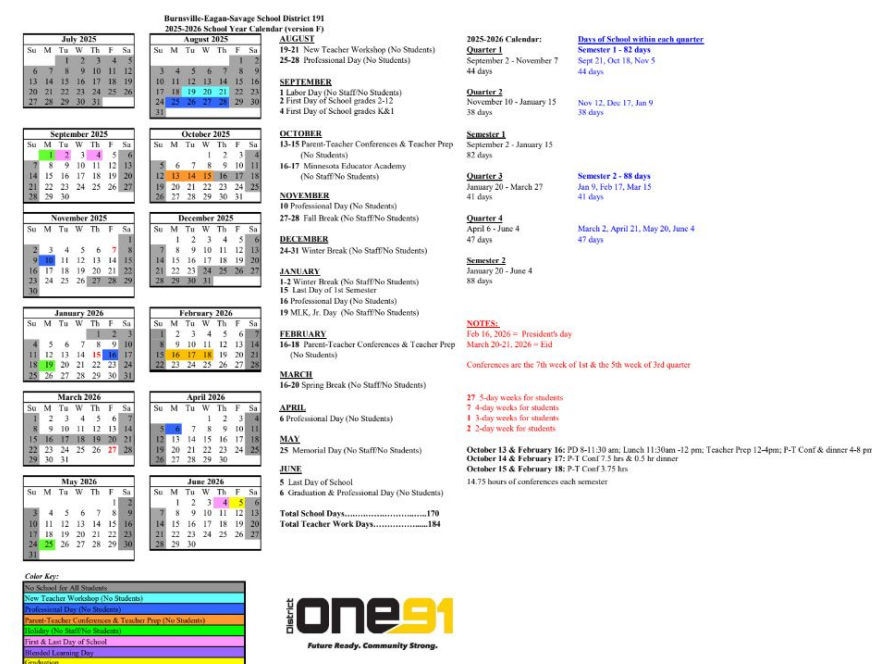
Design Teamwork for 2025-26 SY

- Increase uninterrupted weeks to prioritize learning momentum
- Prioritize the READ Act legislation
- Prioritize early intervention for parent partnership (*conferences*) whenever possible and continue to offer conferences both in-person and virtual
- Try for a full two weeks for Winter Break
- Spring break and spring sports in harmony together
- Establish balance between quarters/semesters with Semester 2 being longer because of testing
- Include summer (*Juneteenth, July 4*)



2025-26 Features

- 170 student contact days
- A 1.5% increase in 4 and 5 day weeks
(bringing a total increase of 14.0% since 2023-24)
- Conferences occurring within the first 6 weeks of the semester - features full 5-day MEA week (two year loop with significant data collection in the Fall of 2024)
- Challenge of Winter break (12/22 and 12/23)
- Spring Break placement
- April 6th for READ Act
- Addition of Juneteenth





Thank You