

Board of Education

ACTION

TITLE: Consider Adopting 2025-2026 School Year Calendar

DATE: December 16, 2024

RESPONSIBLE ADMINISTRATOR: Dr. Chris Davis
Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources & Campus Support

BACKGROUND/CONSIDERATIONS:

The Fort Smith Public School Personnel Policy Committee (PPC) Calendar Committee has proposed the 2025-26 school year calendar. Feedback was gathered from the Classified Personnel Policy Committee (CPPC), certified and classified staff, parents, and the FSPS administrative team.

The 2025-26 school calendar is based on instructional minutes rather than the traditional 178-day student calendar. The State requires 1068 hours to constitute an academic year. The calendar presented includes 1089 hours in order to build in time for 3 inclement weather days. In the event that additional time is necessary to be made up, May 22nd and 26th may be used or time may be added to the remaining instructional days at the discretion of the Superintendent.

RECOMMENDATION:

The administration recommends that the Board of Education approve the updated 2025-2026 school year calendar.

If the Board agrees, the motion would read: ***move to approve the 2025-2026 school year calendar as presented.***