



**DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY
& SECONDARY EDUCATION**

Inclement Weather Calendar Waiver Request

District:	Van Buren School District
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By submitting this waiver request, the Superintendent certifies that the following requirements have been met:

1. The local board has approved the waiver request and revised calendar.
2. The personnel policy committee (PPC) has approved the revised calendar.
3. The revised calendar has been posted on the district's website.
4. The calendar reflects 1,068 hours of in-person student instruction that will be provided during the 2023-2024 school year.

Further, the Superintendent certifies that the district will input into eSchool, eFinance, or APSCN, all data that affects the ADM of the public school district; and ensures compliance with the required minimum number of school instructional hours.

Topic:	Alternate School Calendar Submission Deadlines
Standards/Statutes/Rules:	Ark. Code Ann. § 6-10-106(g)(3) regarding calendar submission deadline
Duration Requested:	2023-2024 School Year
Schools, Grades or Classes the Waiver Will Apply To	K-12
PURPOSE OF THE WAIVER (Must check at least one)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Allow the district to transition to an alternate calendar requiring 1,068 hours of student instruction

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I am also requesting that the Division waive Ark. Code Ann. § 6-18-213(b), which requires that the official reporting period for attendance shall be quarterly with the actual number of days counted in each period to be no less than forty (40) nor more than fifty (50).

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2023-2024

Alternate School Calendar



July 2023						
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August 2023						
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September 2023						
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Aug 7	Classroom Preparation Day
Aug 8-11	Professional Development Day
Aug 16	First Day of School for Students
Sep 4	Labor Day
Oct 13	End of 1st Qtr
Oct 17 & 19	Parent/Teacher Conferences
Oct 20	No School
Nov 20-24	Fall Break
Dec 20	End of 2nd Qtr
Dec 21-Jan 4	Winter Break
Jan 5	Classroom Preparation Day
Jan 8	Second Semester Begins
Jan 15	Professional Development Day
March 12 & 14	Parent/Teacher Conferences
Mar 15	No School
March 18-22	Spring Break
Mar 29	End of 3rd Qtr
May 17	High School Graduation
May 27	Memorial Day
May 30	Last Day of School/End of 4th Qtr
May 31	Superintendent's End-of-Year Meeting
June 3	Professional Development Day
June 4-5	Teacher Work Days

Quarters

1st Quarter - Aug 16-Oct 13	42 days
2nd Quarter - Oct 16-Dec 20	42 days
3rd Quarter - Jan 8-March 29	49 days
4th Quarter - April 1-May 30	43 days
Total Student Interaction Days =	176 days
Meets or exceeds the required 1068 instructional hours	

Teacher Contracted Days

Total Student Interaction Days =	176 days
Professional Development Days =	7 days
Parent Teacher Conference Days =	2 days
Parent/Community Engagement Day =	1 day
Principal/Superintendent Meetings Day =	1 day
Teacher Work Days =	3 days
Total Teacher Contract Days =	190 days

January 2024						
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February 2024						
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April 2024						
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June 2024						
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School Hours: Elementary (K-5): 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Secondary (6-12) 8:00 a.m. - 3:16 p.m.

Notes

Make-up days: May 31, June 3-6

Parent/Teacher Conferences: 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

	No School		Teacher Work Days (no school for students)		Professional Development
	Snow Days		Parent/Teacher Conferences		Make-up Days
	First & Last Day of School				