



A 21st CENTURY LEARNING COMMUNITY

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BOARD AGENDA ITEM

ITEM NO: 6.1

BOARD MEETING DATE: Monday, November 4, 2024

UNFINISHED BUSINESS ITEM: Preliminary Approval of the 2026-2027
School Year Calendar (second reading)

SUBMITTED BY: Mindy Westover, Associate Superintendent

PRESENTED BY: Mindy Westover, Associate Superintendent

This is the second reading for the SY 2026-2027 calendar. There have been no changes since the first reading. It has been patterned after the 2025-2026 calendar. While we believe this calendar represents the best balance of calendar preferences and alternatives, we want you to be aware of the following:

- New teachers will report to work on Wednesday, July 29; returning teachers on Tuesday, August 4.
- The first day of school is Monday, August 10. Elementary early release and middle school late start will be observed during the first week of school. The high school will begin at 8:35 a.m. and observe a regular day rotating schedule. The last day is Wednesday, May 26 and it is a half day for students and a full day for staff.
- Full week of Fall Break is October 12 – 16, 2026.
- K-12 parent/teacher conferences will be held mid-week October 27, 28, and 29; Monday and Friday of that week will be full school days for all schools. Pre-K parent/teacher conferences will be held September 28 – October 9 and April 19 – 30 by appointment only.
- Veteran's Day falls during the week, so Wednesday the 11th will be a student holiday.
- Short week schedule will only be observed at the high school during the week of Thanksgiving and the week of first semester exams.

- Winter break includes three weekends.
- The semesters are not evenly divided (85/95 days).
- The last contract day for teachers is Thursday, May 27. This is a full day for staff.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: I move the governing board preliminarily approve the 2026-2027 school year calendar, as presented.