

**D.C. Everest Area School District**

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**MISSION STATEMENT**

D.C. Everest Area School District, in partnership with the community, is committed to being an innovative educational leader in developing knowledgeable, productive, caring, creative, responsible individuals prepared to meet the challenges of an ever-changing global society.

**To:** D.C. Everest School Board

**From:** Dr. Casey Nye, Superintendent

**Date:** December 10, 2025

**Subject:** 2026 – 2027 School Year Start Date

A committee of staff, student, and parent representatives are working to develop the 2026 – 2027 calendar. We are in communication to align winter and spring breaks with the Wausau School District as closely as possible.

In order to have the option to begin the school year prior to September 1, we are requesting the Board approve the attached resolution which we will submit to the DPI for a start date exemption. This must be to the DPI by January 1.

An earlier start date allows more flexibility within the school year for students and families by stretching the year out over more time and allowing more breaks in the calendar year.

We may bring two calendars to the Board in January – one with a start date prior to September 1 and one after September 1 – while we wait for the DPI's ruling. Additionally, approving this resolution does not bind us to having to start prior to September 1, if the preferred calendar choice begins after September 1.