



MEMORANDUM

TO: School Board Members

FR: Jamie Bente, Superintendent

DA: February 18, 2025

RE: 2026-2027 School Calendar

RECOMMENDATION: Consider approval of the 2026-2027 School Calendar.

A calendar feedback survey was sent to all staff on January 22 and 182 responses were received.

The following people were invited to participate in the Calendar Committee: Ashley Benhart, Alicia Sheehy, Corey Luettel, Dana Cowan, Elizabeth Daniels, Erin Losinski, Joseph Timmer, Katie Rotvold, Krista Swanson, Nick Jurrens, Nicole Yochum, Olivia Sage, Paul Johnson, Robert Dehnert, Tara Luettel, and Zach Pruitt.

The results of the survey were shared with the Calendar Committee on February 6. The committee provided feedback on two versions of the 2026-2027 school calendar (one starting before Labor Day and one starting after). The committee agreed to move forward with the 2026-2027 school year starting before Labor Day to allow the school year to end in early-June. The Calendar Committee met again on February 11 to review suggested changes and to finalize the proposed calendar. Please note that Spring Break is scheduled for early-March and the FHS Graduation Ceremony is scheduled for Friday, June 4, 2027, at 7:00 p.m.

The calendar includes:

- 165 student contact days for elementary
- 166 student contact days for secondary
- 185 days total