



Inclement Weather Calendar Waiver Request

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Date Received by DESE:	

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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Alternate SCHOOL CALENDAR WALDRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2023-24



Instructional Hours Reg. 1068
 Instructional Hours Provided 1074
 Professional Development Days 10
 Parent/Teacher Conference 2
 Work Days 2
 Teacher Days 192

KEY

- PD -Professional Development
- PD☺ -PLC (1 hr after school - required)
- V -Virtual Day
- W -Teacher Work Day
- { -Start of 9 Weeks
- } -End of 9 Weeks
- H -Holiday / No School
- P/T -Parent Teacher Conferences
- WD/H -Weather Related Make Up Day/Holiday if not used

- Aug. 7-9 - District PD Days (required)
- August 10 - Work Day
- August 14 -1st Student Day
- September 4 -Labor Day/No School
- September 19 -*Student Day/P/T Conference 2:00 -7:00 pm
- October 9 -Holiday
- October 13 -End 1st Quarter (43) Days
- October 16 -Begin 2nd Quarter
- Nov 20-24 -Holiday/No School
- Dec 22 -End 2nd Quarter (45) days
- Dec. 25 – Jan 5 -Holiday/No School
- January 8 -Begin 3rd Qtr
- January 15 -Holiday
- Feb. 15 - *Student Day /P/T Conference 2:00-7:00 pm
- Feb. 16 -Weather Day/ No School if not used
- March 15 -End 3rd Quarter (49) Days
- March 18-22 -Spring Break/No School
- March 25 -Begin 4th Quarter
- March 29 -Holiday/No School
- April 8 -Holiday/No School
- May 17 -Graduation
- May 23 -End 4th Quarter (41) Days
- May 24 -Work Day/Weather Day
- May 27 -Holiday
- May 28-31 -Make Up Days
- Feb 19-May 23 -Extend School Day 10 Min

7-45-3:00 New School Day

Board Approved 2-20-23
 Board Approval Alternate Calendar 02-12-24
 Extended Instruction Hours Per Day ELEM - 6.75
 Extended Instruction Hours Per Day Middle- 6.25
 Extended Instruction Hours Per Day High - 6.25

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2/8/24

Topic: Extending the school day for the current year.

Mr. Fielding, the Waldron School District Personnel Policy Committee has conducted a vote amongst the certified staff within the district. The vote was to determine if the staff would be in favor of converting our current calendar to an hourly calendar. The staff was informed that this would add 10 minutes of instruction time to each day for the remainder of the school year beginning February 19th. The staff was also informed that the additional time would compensate for the previous days that were missed due to winter weather. This would be with the exception of one day which will be made up on February 16th, which is a built-in weather day.

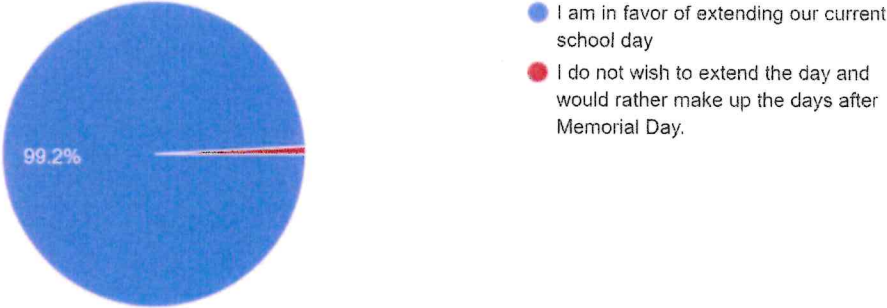
Summary:

The staff has voted overwhelmingly to transition to the hourly calendar for the remainder of the year.

99.2% has voted in favor.

Indicate which option you favor.

120 responses



MINUTES
WALDRON SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 12, 2024
6:30 P.M.

The regular monthly meeting of the Waldron School Board was held in the Central Office Building Monday, February 12, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. Board members present were Clay Woodall, Angela Hunsucker (came in late), Mac Davis, Stan Cottrell and Konnor McKay. Others present were Superintendent Daniel Fielding, Misty Owens, Kim Solomon, Darla Jeffery, Keith Brigance, Kristi Sigman, Toni Dozier, Tonya Cluck, Zack Taylor, Randi Hickman, Lisa Allen and Cheyenne Smith.

President Clay Woodall called the meeting to order at 6:44 p.m.

Mr. Konnor McKay began the meeting with a word of prayer.

Mac Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Mac Davis and seconded by Konnor McKay to approve the Consent Agenda items: A) Approval of the January 22nd Minutes; B) Approve Financial Reports and Expenditures; C) Approve Invoice to ASBA for Worker's Compensation Insurance; D) Approve Purchase Order to Imagine Learning, LLC; E) Approve Purchase Order to MF Athletics (Everything Track and Field). Motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Mac Davis and seconded by Konnor McKay to approve the Petition for Transfer of Students. Motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Stan Cottrell and seconded by Konnor McKay to adopt and approve the 2024-25 Alternative School Calendar. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mac Davis and seconded by Konnor McKay to approve the Inclement Weather Calendar Waiver Request. Motion carried 5-0.



A motion was made by Stan Cottrell and seconded by Mac Davis to approve the 2023-24 Alternate School Calendar, beginning February 19, 2024. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mac Davis and seconded by Angela Hunsucker to approve the ABC Program Inclement Weather Days. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mac Davis and seconded by Angela Hunsucker to approve the Resolution for Facility Master Plan. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mac Davis and seconded by Angela Hunsucker to approve the Performance Targets for Superintendent for SY 2024-25. Motion carried 5-0.

Each of the school principals reported on the happenings at their buildings and upcoming events. Parent Teacher Conferences will be this Thursday from 2:00 to 7:00. Mrs. Dozier reported that the ABC and First Step will be participating in Read Across America the last week of February. She stated they are also starting to plan summer school, the spring picnic and ABC graduation. Mrs. Jeffery presented the board members with the mid-year iReady scores for the Elementary School which showed great improvement. Mr. Taylor stated that the Jr. High FBLA attended the District I Spring Leadership Conference in Fort Smith, several members competed against peers from around the district. Results are as follows: Justi Hunsucker, 1st place FBLA Mission and Pledge speech, Chris Canada, 2nd place Mr. Jr. Future Business Leader, Aniya Her, 3rd place Business Letters, Audrey Bowman, 3rd place Digital Citizenship, Braxton Turner, 4th place Exploring Computer Science, Chloe Richmond, 5th place Digital Citizenship, Mady Dunavant, 5th place Financial Literacy, Lilly Rincker, 5th place Leadership, Jasper Denton, 5th place Interpersonal Communication. All the spring clubs are back into full swing at the Middle School as well. Mrs. Solomon informed the board of the many activities that are happening at the High School some of which include: Reverse job fair, seniors have started their college visits, history students will be working the voting poles, and Sr. High Basketball teams have District this week. There were also 8 students that took the educational Praxis test and all 8 passed. Congratulations to Ben Crump for making All State Band.

Superintendent Fielding recognized the boys track team for placing 3rd at State Indoor.

A motion was made by Mac Davis and seconded by Angela Hunsucker to accept the resignation of Bethelene Davenport as of February 19, 2024, from First Step Paraprofessional. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Konnor McKay and seconded by Angela Hunsucker to extend Assistant Superintendent Chris Lipham's contract for the 2024-25 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Angela Hunsucker and seconded by Mac Davis to rehire Administrators (see attached list) for the 2024-25 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Konnor McKay and seconded by Stan Cottrell to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Clay Woodall, President

Angela Hunsucker, Secretary