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### **Inclement Weather Calendar Waiver Request**

<b>District:</b>	Marmaduke School District
<b>LEA Number:</b>	2803000
<b>Superintendent:</b>	Charles Keith Richey
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<b>Date Received by DESE:</b>	2-13-2024

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

- The local board has approved the waiver request and revised calendar.
- The personnel policy committee (PPC) has approved the revised calendar.
- The revised calendar has been posted on the district’s website.
- 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.

<b>Topic:</b>	Alternate School Calendar Submission Deadlines
<b>Standards/Statutes/Rules:</b>	Ark. Code Ann. § 6-10-106(g)(3) regarding calendar submission deadline
<b>Duration Requested:</b>	2023-2024 School Year
<b>Schools, Grades or Classes the Waiver Will Apply To</b>	K-12
<b>PURPOSE OF THE WAIVER (Must check at least one)</b>	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).

## **District plan to make up time or days for inclement weather**

In a recent Commissioner's Memo released by the Arkansas Department of Education the state provided guidance regarding options for Districts to make up instructional time missed due to inclement weather. Districts currently on a traditional 178-day calendar may request to change to an alternate calendar, which requires 1,068 hours, the equivalent of 6 hours of instructional time for 178 days (6 hours per day x 178 days = 1068 hours of instruction).

It is important to note that 6 hours of instruction time each day is the minimum standard. Currently our Elementary School provides a minimum of 6 hours and 12 minutes of instruction in the daily schedule. These additional 12 minutes per day over the course of 175 school days banks a total of 2,100 minutes or 5.8 days. This is more than enough to make up for the 3 days missed due to inclement weather.

The High School provides 6 hours of instruction each day. Therefore, the three missed days will be made up as follows:

One day will be made up by having school in session on Presidents Day, February 19<sup>th</sup>.

Two days (720 minutes) will be made up by doing away with home room (8 minutes per day) and adding 4 minutes to the current daily schedule at the beginning and/or end of the day. This will add 12 minutes per day times 63 days of school which equals 756 minutes. This equates to two days and 36 minutes.

As a result of inclement weather/road conditions the District was closed on January 16-18 (3 days). If the District transitions to an alternate calendar students will NOT be required to make up bad weather days as a result of banked instructional time. If no more days are missed during the remaining school year, the last day of school remains May 23, 2024.

# Marmaduke School District

2023-2024 School Calendar (Traditional)

1<sup>st</sup> 9-weeks = 41 days, 2<sup>nd</sup> 9-weeks = 44 days, 3<sup>rd</sup> 9-weeks = 44 days, 4<sup>th</sup> 9-weeks = 49 days  
(Total = 178 days)

July '23						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

August '23						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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27	28	29	30	31		

September '23						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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October '23						
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

November '23						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

December '23						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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31						

January '24						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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February '24						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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25	26	27	28	29		

March '24						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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April '24						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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28	29	30				

May '24						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

June '24						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
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School Closed / Holidays



Graduation 10:00am



End of 9-weeks



First and Last Day of School



Inclement Weather Days

Note: The Arkansas Department of Education issued a waiver that allows Districts to transition their calendar from traditional to alternate. Alternate calendars require 1,068 hours. Through the waiver process Districts have been allowed to "bank" instructional time and substitute that time for inclement weather days. The Marmaduke School District will adjust our daily schedule to exceed the minimum standard of 6 hours of instruction each day and will take advantage of the waiver process. Transitioning to an alternate calendar ensures students will NOT be required to make up 2 of the inclement weather days. This in conjunction with having school on February 19<sup>th</sup>, Presidents Day, will make up for the three days missed in January due to inclement weather.