

Information Sheet
Working Drafts, 2010-2011 School Calendar
Tupelo Public School District

The “Starting Point” in the development of the 2010-2011 calendar...

- Draft 1 is a calendar that merely takes the dates from the 2008-2009 school calendar and imposes those dates on the corresponding dates for the 2010-2011 school year. As we all know, the 2009-2010 calendar was “atypical” because of the extra week that was allowed for moving during the summer of 2009. As a result, Dr. Shaver is using information from the 2008-2009 calendar as a “starting point” in the development of the 2010-2011 calendar.

Commonalities Between Drafts 1 and 2...

- On both drafts, teachers will report for in-service and teacher training on August 2, 2010.
- On both drafts, the first day of classes will be August 6, 2010.
- Both drafts share the following holidays:

September 6, 2010
November 22-26, 2010
December 20-31, 2010
January 17, 2011
March 14-18, 2011
April 22 and 25, 2010 (In case of bad weather, these are “make-up days”)

- On both drafts, progress reports will be issued on:

September 9, 2010
November 11, 2010
February 10, 2011
April 21, 2011

- Both drafts share the same dates for Nine Week Exams and for the ending of Nine Weeks grading periods FOR THE FIRST THREE NINE WEEKS. (The fourth nine weeks exam schedule and ending of the fourth nine weeks grading period differs between drafts 1 and 2.)

October 8, 2010	End of first nine weeks grading period
December 17, 2010	End of second nine weeks grading period
March 11, 2011	End of third nine weeks grading period

- On both drafts, report cards will be issued on:
 - October 14, 2010
 - January 6, 2011
 - March 24, 2011
 - May 26, 2011
- On both drafts, teachers will report for a day without students for the beginning of second semester on January 3, 2011.
- On both drafts, students will report for the first day of second semester classes on January 4, 2011.
- Both calendars share **tentative primary state testing dates:**
 - March 3, 2011 MS Writing Assessment Program (Grades 4 and 7)
 - April 27, 28, 29,
and May 3, 2011 SATP Testing Dates
 - May 3, 2011 Grades 5 and 8 Science Tests
 - May 10-12, 2011 MCT2 Testing
- On both drafts, the date of graduation will be May 20, 2011.

Differences Between Drafts 1 and 2...

- Draft 2 contains these two additional holidays that are not included on Draft 1:
 - October 11, 2010 Fall Break
 - February 14, 2011 Presidents' Day (In case of bad weather prior to
February 14th, this day will be
used as a "make-up day")
- On Draft 1, the fourth nine weeks examinations will be given on May 18, 19, and 20, 2011. The last school day will be May 20, 2011. On Draft 2, the fourth nine weeks examinations will be given on May 20, 23, and 24, 2011. The last school day will be May 24, 2011.
- On Draft 1, teachers will report for their final day without students on May 23, 2011. On Draft 2, teachers will report for their final day without students on May 25, 2011.

(Please note that the Memorial Day Holiday in 2011 will be observed nationally on May 30, 2011.)

Three other comments...

- Draft 1 contains 90 instructional days in both 1st and 2nd semesters. Draft 2 contains 89 instructional days in the 1st semester and 91 instructional days in the 2nd semester.
- A final decision for the date for I-E Day, 2011, has not yet been made. CDF is asking the TPSD and the Lee County School Districts to consider moving I-E Day to a date in late January. Dr. Shaver and Mr. Mike Scott will be meeting soon with CDF officials to finalize the date for I-E Day, 2011.
- Although there is not a lot of difference between Draft 1 and the tentative Lee County School District's 2010-2011 calendar, Draft 2 is the more compatible calendar between the two school districts. Because both TPSD and Lee County students attend classes at the Career-Technical Center on the campus of THS, the calendars between the two school districts must be coordinated.