

# **2026-27 School Calendar Options**

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# Policy Supported Parameters (602)

- 170 Student Days
- 184 Teacher work days
- 187 Days for new teachers
  - 3 Additional days prior to workshop
- Five non-student days for PD and prep
  - One must be after 1<sup>st</sup> semester
  - One must be placed in preparation for fall conferences
  - One must be placed in preparation for spring conferences

# Policy Supported Parameters (602)

- Four workshop days prior to first day
- One end-of-year professional day after the last student day
- Must start after Labor Day unless special circumstance
- Minimum four K-12 Family Conference days; Two fall, Two spring

# Policy Supported Parameters (602)

Additional Non-Student Days (beyond conferences and professional development days):

- Labor Day
- Two Days in October for the annual MEA convention
- Thanksgiving and the Friday after Thanksgiving
- Preference - a Winter Break of at least seven days (excluding weekends)
- MLK Jr. Day
- Memorial Day

# Design Team

Multi-Year Calendar Design Team including:

- Students (3)
- Parents (7)
- Administrators (6)
- Teachers (5)
- Social Worker(1)
- Liaisons (2)
- Wendy Drugge and  
Chris Bellmont = Co-Facilitators

Grounded in our Core Values and CPSS



# Design Team Recommendations

- Design Team members met four times to discuss the 26-27 School Calendar. Meetings were held virtually, in-person, and hybrid. There were also asynchronous feedback opportunities between meetings.
- The 2026-27 school calendar is somewhat unique as it features the latest possible Labor Day date.
- Eleven calendar versions were developed for consideration. Two options were ultimately selected by the Team to share with the Board.

# Design Team Recommendations

## Option 1:

- First day of school after Labor Day - September 8
- Winter break of 7 weekdays
- Last day of school is June 10



## Option 2:

- First day of school before Labor Day - August 31
- Winter break of 8 weekdays
- MLK, Jr. Day coincides with the PD day between Semesters 1 & 2
- Last day of school is June 3
- Would require special board permission based on the contingencies outlined in policy

# Appreciation

Thank you to all who helped contribute to this important collaboration.

