



DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY
& SECONDARY EDUCATION

Inclement Weather Calendar Waiver Request


District:	Westside Consolidated Schools
LEA Number:	1602
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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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Superintendent:	

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).

2023-2024 WESTSIDE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CALENDAR (Alternative Snow Schedule)

July 2023						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
						1
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					

4 School Closed - Independence day
17 School Board Meeting 7 pm
31 Teacher Required PD Day 1 (PLC in Action)

August 2023						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
		1	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		

1 Teacher Required PD day 2 (PLC in Action)
2 Teacher Required PD day 3 (PLC in Action)
3 New Teacher Orientation
7 Teacher Required PD day 4
8 Teacher Required PD day 5
14 First Day of School
21 School Board Meeting 7 pm

September 2023						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
					1	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

4 School Closed - Labor Day
18 School Board Meeting 7 pm

October 2023						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
1	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				

10 End Quarter 1 (41 days)
11 Begin Quarter 2
12 Parent Teacher Conf. (WES,WMS,WHS) 3:30-8:30
13 No School- PD Make Up Day #1 - Make up Snow Day #1
16 Make up Snow Day #1
School Board Meeting 6 pm

November 2023						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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		

13 School Board Meeting 6 pm
20-21 No School- PD Make Up Day #2 and Day #3
20-21 Make up Snow Day #2 and #3
22-24 No School- Thanksgiving Break

December 2023						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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						

11 School Board Meeting 6 pm
15 End Quarter 2 (42 days)
18-29 No School- Christmas Break

January 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	1	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			

1 School Closed - New Year's Day
2 No School- Required Prof. Dev. Day #5
3 Begin Quarter 3
15 No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
22 School Board Meeting 6 pm
29 Begin Alternative calendar with 6.25 hrs Instruction

February 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
			1	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		

8 Parent Teacher Conf. (WES,WMS,WHS) 3:30-8:30
9 No School- Prof. Dev. Make Up Day #4
9 Make up Snow Day #4
19 School Board Meeting 6 pm

March 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
				1	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						

8 End Quarter 3 (46 days)
11 School Board Meeting 6 pm
11 Begin Quarter 4
18-22 No School- Spring Break

April 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	1	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				

12 No School- Prof. Dev. Make Up Day #5
12 Make up Snow Day #5
15 School Board Meeting 7 pm

May 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
			1	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	

13 School Board Meeting 7 pm
20 WHS Graduation (ASU 7 pm)
24 Last Day of School- End Quarter 4 (49 days)
27 School Closed - Memorial Day
28-31 Make Up Snow Days #6-#9

June 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
						1
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
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3 Make Up Snow Day #10
17 School Board Meeting 7 pm
178 School Days = 1068 Instructional Hours
78 School Days x 6.25 hours = 19.5 hours
2 snow days at 360 min/day = 12 hours
Professional Development Days
Parent Teacher Conf. Days