

Inclement Weather Calendar Waiver Request

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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)	

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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).



Gentry Public School District

2023-24 Alternate Calendar



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Important Dates And Information

First Semester Dates

July 4, 2023 Independence Day

August 7-11, 2023 Professional Development

OPEN HOUSE (Check with your school for date and time)

August 14, 2023 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Primary School: 8:00 am - 3:10 pm Middle School: 7:50 am - 3:18 pm Intermediate School: 8:00 am - 3:25 pm High School: 7:49 am - 3:18 pm

September 4, 2023 Labor Day NO SCHOOL

October 12, 2023 P/T Conf Students released at 2:15 pm Conferences 2:30 pm - 8:30 pm

October 12, 2023 End of 1st quarter

October 13, 2023 NO SCHOOL (Flex PD Day #1)

November 20-24, 2023 THANKSGIVING Break NO SCHOOL

December 19, 2023 End of 2nd quarter

December 20, 2023- January 2, 2024 CHRISTMAS Break NO SCHOOL

Second Semester Dates

January 3, 2024 Professional Development Day NO SCHOOL for students

January 4, 2024 First day 3rd quarter/Second Semster STUDENTS Return

January 15, 2024 Martin Luther King Jr Day NO SCHOOL

February 15, 2024 P/T Conf Students released at 2:15 pm Conferences 2:30 pm - 8:30 pm

February 16, 2024 NO SCHOOL (Flex PD day #2)

February 19, 2023 Professional Development Day NO School for Students

March 15, 2024 end of 3rd quarter

March18-22, 2024 SPRING BREAK NO SCHOOL

April 19, 2024 School will be in session- Make up snow day

May 24, 2024 Last day of School

May 27, 2024 Memorial Day

Information

Note 1: Five (5) Make up Days are added to the end of the calendar. May 28, 29, 30, 31 and June 3. Any days missed (weather related or other causes) over the five (5) already added at the end of the calendar will be added after June 3.

Note 2: Ending Quarter attendance dates may be adjusted to comply with ADE regulations.

There are 106 student instruction days from August 14, 2023- February 9, 2024 @ 360 minutes perday, which is 636 Instructional hours There are 67 student instruction days from February 13, 2024 - May 24, 2024 @ 387 minutes per day, which is 432.15 instructional hours .

TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL HOURS IS 1068.15

Note 3: Teachers and staff will make up the missed days of work on April 19, May 28, 29, 30, 31

Note 4: Professional Development: Five (5) PD days before school starts, two (2) FLEX PD days, two (2) PD days throughout the school year and one (1) day Job embedded PD.

Note 5: April 19 was changed to an Instructional day.

The mission of the Gentry School District is to work with the community in providing safe and successful experiences for each student.