



Board of Education Action Item

TO: Mt. Vernon-Enola School Board
FROM: Mr. Zeb Prothro
SUBJECT: Inclement Weather Makeup Plan
DATE: 2/19/2024

BACKGROUND: Mt. Vernon-Enola School District missed five days of school due to inclement weather from January 16-22, 2024. The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) has granted districts the option to switch from a traditional calendar to an alternate calendar in order to make up the missed time by adding minutes to the school day rather than adding days to the end of the school year. Our PPC met and unanimously approved adding minutes rather than days. The community's response on social media was overwhelmingly positive to the switch.

RATIONALE: After receiving feedback from parents and staff during the week of January 23-26, 2024 and meeting with our PPC Committee the district is requesting approval to switch to an alternate calendar for the 2023-2024 school year.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the calendar and resolution as presented.

DOCUMENTATION:

Inclement Weather Makeup Plan
Inclement Weather Calendar Waiver Request
Inclement Weather Board Resolution
2023-2024 Inclement Weather Calendar



DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY
& SECONDARY EDUCATION

Inclement Weather Calendar Waiver Request

District:	Mount Vernon-Enola School District
LEA Number:	2306
Superintendent:	Zebulon Prothro
Email:	zprothro@mvevarhawks.org
Contact for Waiver:	Zebulon Prothro
Contact Email:	zprothro@mvevarhawks.org
Contact Phone:	501-849-2220
Date Received by DESE:	

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:	Zebulon Prothro

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).

**Mount Vernon-Enola School District
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

2023-2024 Inclement Weather Calendar

WHEREAS the Mount Vernon-Enola School District Board of Directors met in a [regular/special], open, and properly-convened board meeting on 2/17/24, in Mt Vernon; and

Whereas 5 members were present, a quorum was declared by the chair; and

WHEREAS

The Division of Elementary and Secondary Education allowed the school districts the option of transitioning from a traditional school calendar to an alternate calendar requiring 1,068 hours of student instruction.

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-10-106(g)(3)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Mount Vernon-Enola School District approved switching to an alternate calendar for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year.

ADOPTED in regular (change to "special" if true) session by the Board of Directors of the Mount Vernon-Enola School district on 2/17/24.

PRESIDENT

John Moore
SECRETARY

Mt. Vernon-Enola School District
Inclement Weather Calendar
2023-2024

August 16.....First Day of School

September 4Labor Day Holiday

October 18.....End First Quarter

October 19.....Begin Second Quarter

October 24.....Parent/Teacher Conferences

October 26Parent/Teacher Conferences

October 27.....School Holiday

November 20-24.....Thanksgiving Holiday

December 22.....End Second Quarter

December 25-January 4.....Christmas Holidays

January 5Begin Third Quarter

January 15.....School Holiday

February 13.....Parent/Teacher Conferences

February 15.....Parent/Teacher Conferences

February 16..... **Makeup Snow Day (School in Session)**

March 15.....End of Third Quarter

March 18-22.....Spring Break

March 25.....Begin Fourth Quarter

April 8th..... Solar Eclipse (No School)

April 11CAP Conferences

April 12.....**Makeup Snow Day (School in Session)**
May 13.....Graduation
May 22 Last Day of School
May 23rd..... **Possible Makeup Snow Day**
May 24th..... **Possible Makeup Snow Day**

Effective January 29th, 2024

School Days were extended by 15 minutes.
No more early release days.

Makeup Days Used (School in session)

February 16th, 2024 and April 12th, 2024

Instructional Times:

High School 7:50 am - 3:15 pm

Elementary 7:50 am - 3:10 pm

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