Overview of School Calendar Options and Requirements

2016-2017 School Year

State Law Requirements

The "Calendar Law"

2012 Senate Bill 187 (Session Law 2012-145), applies beginning with the 2013-2014 school year, rewrites a portion of the calendar law (General Statute 115C-84.2). <u>Legislation: Session Law 2012-145</u>, <u>Senate Bill 187</u>, <u>Section 7A.11</u>.

The law sets forth very specific requirements and restrictions to local school system calendars.

Starting and Ending...

- Start date no earlier than the Monday closest to August 26 and end date no later than the Friday closest to June 11
 - We do not qualify for a winter-weather waiver (and it only allows one week early start)
 - There are no educational purpose waivers for exemption of the opening and/or closing dates.

For 2016-2017: Start date is August 29, 2016 and ending date is June 9, 2017

When to have student days and how many...

 Class must be held in at least nine calendar months.

- Must have a minimum of 185 days OR 1,025 hours of instruction.
 - 180 student days is presented as the draft recommendation using the 1,025 hours of instruction rather than the number of days

Teacher Workdays:

- Must have at least nine (9) teacher workdays.
- Local Boards shall designate two (2) workdays on which teachers may take accumulated vacation leave.
 - At least 2 workdays MUST be optional workdays (allowing leave). The district can set as many as it chooses but must have at least 2 optional. Any and all others can be required workdays (no leave permitted)

Teacher Workdays:

- I thought???
 - HB 200 (2011) struck the following language: Five days, as designated by the local board, for use as teacher workdays. These days shall be protected to allow teachers to complete instructional and classroom administrative duties. The local school administrative unit shall not impose any additional tasks on these days. The local board shall schedule one of these days at the beginning of the school year and one at the end of each academic quarter.

When not to have school...

- Have a minimum of ten (10) annual vacation leave days.
- Have an equivalent number of legal holidays
 occurring within the school calendar as those
 designated by the State Personnel Commission.
- School shall not be held on Sunday.
- Veterans Day shall be a holiday for all public school personnel and for all students.

2016-2017 School Calendar



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First Student Day	Aug. 29
Labor Day Holiday	Sep. 5
Early Dismissal-Noon	Sep. 21
Early Dismissal-Noon	Oct. 19
End of Quarter 1	Oct. 28
Teacher Workday	Oct. 31
Report Card 1 Issued	Nov. 7
Veterans Day Holiday	Nov. 11
Thanksgiving Break	Nov. 23-25
Winter Break	Dec. 21-Jan. 1
Students Return From Break	Jan. 3
MLK Holiday	Jan. 16
End of Semester 1 (Quar. 2)	Jan. 20
Teacher Workday	Jan. 23
Semester 2 Begins	Jan. 24
Report Card 2 Issued	Jan. 30
Early Dismissal-Noon	Feb. 15
Early Dismissal-Noon	Mar. 15
End of Quarter 3	Mar. 23
Teacher Workdays	Mar. 24, 27
Teacher Workday	Apr. 14
Spring Break	Apr. 17-21
Memorial Day (Leave Day)	May 29
Last Student Day (Noon Dismissal)	Jun. 9
Last Teacher Workday	Jun. 16
Report Card 4 Issued	Jun. 19

Important Dates

Legend		
Student Day	1	180 days
Weekend or Summer Break		N/A
Students dismissed Noon	1	5 days
Teacher Workday (Optional)	1	7 days
Teacher Workday (Required)	1	8 days
Holiday (Staff and Student)	1	10 days
Annual Leave	1	10 days