



# South Washington County Schools

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## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

TO: Members of the School Board

FROM: Keith Jacobus, Superintendent

DATE: May 4, 2017

TOPIC/PURPOSE OF REPORT: Discussion of Revised 2017-18 Calendar

REFERENCE TO POLICY/STRATEGIC PLAN: MN Statutes 120A.40-41

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION: Discussion

DATE FOR BOARD ACTION: May 11, 2017

## REPORT

The School Board approved the 2017-18 calendar on March 3, 2016. The approved calendar had two assessment days for grades K-5 at the beginning of the year, September 5 and 6. School would have started as normal on September 5th for grades 6 -12, but on the 5th and 6th, elementary staff would be meeting with all of their students and parents individually to conduct literacy assessments that are now done using sub days throughout the first month of school. When we began to work on the logistics of the start for parents and staff, we became concerned with the prospect of successfully implementing the change. Since that time we have been exploring alternative options to address the need to assess our elementary students at the beginning of each year without utilizing substitutes teachers during the first weeks of school.

In further looking at options we are proposing to eliminate the use of the first two days of school for the assessments and as an alternative end school for our K-5 students two days earlier in June. These students would have their last class day on June 4th. The teachers would use the two duty days on August 23rd and 24th, prior to the school year start to come in to complete their assessments. Since the teachers would have put in their two days of work in August, they would be done two days early as well. Teachers would have flexibility if they could not arrange with their parents for them to come in on August 23rd and 24th, or they had personal conflicts to use time after school the first week or two of the school year to complete the assessments.

We are recommending the Board approve the proposed change when we bring the calendar back to the Board for final approval at the May 25th meeting.

# 2017-2018 K-12 SCHOOL CALENDAR. SOUTH WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOLS

Adopted on 3/3/16

## JULY (2017)

3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28
31				0

**K-12**

12 Mo. Employee Holidays
Probationary Teacher Academy
New Teacher Academy
Workshop Days-No Students
ATPPS - No Students
Holidays/Breaks - No School
School Days In Session

## JANUARY (2018)

1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		20

Winter Break K-12
12-Mo. Employee Holiday

MLK Jr. Day Holiday
12-Mo. Employee Holiday

## AUGUST

	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30	31	

August 8: Primary Election
No meetings from 6-8PM
Probationary Teacher Academy
New Teacher Academy
Elementary Assessment Days K-5
Teacher Workshop Days

## FEBRUARY

			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28		19

Presidents' Day Holiday
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## SEPTEMBER

				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

ATPPS
Labor Day Holiday
12-Mo. Employee Holiday
Sept 5: First day of school for Gr. 1-12.
Sept 7: First day of school for K
Sept 11: First day of school for PreK

## MARCH

			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

March 9- End of 2nd Tri - 59 days
March 12 - K-12 Workshop Day

Spring Break
12-Mo. Employee Holiday

## OCTOBER

2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30	31			20

MEA/No school
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## APRIL

2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30				21

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## NOVEMBER

		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	20

November 7: General Election
No meetings from 6-8PM.

Thanksgiving Holidays K-12
12-Mo. Employee Holiday
Nov 30 - End of 1st Tri - 59 days

## MAY

	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30	31	22

Memorial Day Holiday
12-Mo. Employee Holiday

## DECEMBER

				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

Dec 1 - K-12 Workshop Day
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Winter Break K-12
12-Mo. Employee Holiday

## JUNE

				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

June 1 - Last day of school- Gr. 12
June 4 - Last day of school - PreK-5
June 5 -ATPPS Elementary
June 6- End of 3rd Tri - 56 days
June 6 - Last day of school 6-11
June 6 - K-5 Workshop Day
June 7: 6-12 ATPPS
June 8: 6-12 Workshop Day

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## EXPLANATION OF CALENDAR INFORMATION ON FIRST PAGE / PreK-12

Numerals in last cell of each calendar month = school days for that month; the numeral outside the month is a cumulative total from all the previous months in the school year.

**First Day of School:** Sept. 5, 2017 for Gr. 1-12. Sept. 7, 2017 for K. Sept. 11, 2017 for PreK.  
**Last Day of School:** June 1, 2018 for Gr. 12. June 4, 2018 for PreK-5. June 6, 2018 for 6-11.

### Trimester Breaks

November 30, 2017	End of First Trimester
March 9, 2018	End of Second Trimester
June 6, 2018	End of Third Trimester

### Days in Session:

59: Gr 1-12. 57: Gr K.  
59: Gr K-12  
54: K-5. 56: Gr 6-11. 53: Gr 12.

### TOTAL

**170: K. 172: 1-5. 174: 6-11. 171: 12.**

### Teacher Workshop Days-No Students

August 14-16, 2017	Probationary Teacher Academy
August 21, 2017	New Teacher Academy
August 22-23, 2017	Elementary Assessment Days K-5
August 28-30, 2017	Back-to-School Teacher Workshop Days
December 1, 2017	Workshop Day for K-12
March 12, 2018	Workshop Day for K-12
June 6, 2018	Workshop Day K-5
June 8, 2018	Workshop Day for 6-12

### Holidays-No School

September 4, 2017	Labor Day
October 19-20, 2017	Professional Convention Days
November 23-24, 2017	Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 21, 2017-Jan. 2, 2018	Winter Holidays/Break (school resumes Jan. 3)
January 15, 2018	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
February 19, 2018	Presidents' Day
March 26-29, 2018	Spring Break
March 30, 2018	Spring Holiday
May 28, 2018	Memorial Day

### ATPPS Days-No students

Aug. 31-Sept. 1, 2017  
June 5, 2017 (Elementary)  
June 7, 2018 (Secondary)

### Election/Caucus Days:

August 8, 2017 is the Minnesota Primary Election. November 7, 2017 is the General Election.  
No meetings or other events can take place on those dates between 6:00 PM and 8:00 PM in any district facility.