

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DATE: June 10, 2008

TO: **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

FROM: Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

SUBJECT: **CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED CALENDAR, SCHOOL YEAR 2009-2010**

ORIGINATOR: Kara Calder, Chief Communications Officer

RESOURCE PERSON(S):

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approve the Proposed Calendar for School Year 2009-2010. This is the third reading of the proposed calendar.

Attachment I – Proposed 2009-2010 School Calendar

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			Pupil Days	Teacher Days
August	21 (F) 24(M) 26(W) 31(M)	Administrative & Supervisory Personnel Meeting Teachers on Duty Systemwide professional development Opening Day for Students	1	6
September	7(M) 28(M)	Labor Day—Schools and Offices Closed Yom Kippur – Schools and Offices Closed	20	20
October	12(M) 16(F)	Columbus Day* Professional Development Day/MSTA Convention—Schools Closed for Students	21	22
November	5(Th) 6(F) 11(W) 19(Th) 16-20(M-F) 23(M) 26-27(Th-F)	First Marking Period Ends Assessment Day for All Schools*** and/or Professional Development Day for All Schools —Schools Closed for all Students Veterans Day* Distribution of Report Cards American Education Week Elementary Conference Day—Schools Closed for Elementary Students Thanksgiving Holiday—Schools and Offices Closed	18	19
December	15(T) 23(W)	Bill of Rights Day* Christmas/Winter Break Begins at End of School Day	17	17
January	4(M) 15(F) 18(M) 28(Th) 29(F)	Schools Reopen Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.’s Birthday * Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.’s Birthday Observed—Schools and Offices Closed Second Marking Period Ends Assessment Day for All Schools*** and/or Professional Development Day for All Schools —Schools Closed for all Students	18	19
February	11(Th) 12(F) 15(M) 22(M)	Distribution of Report Cards Lincoln’s Birthday* Presidents’ Day—Schools and Offices Closed Washington’s Birthday*	19	19
March	25(Th) 26(F)	Maryland Day* Easter/Spring Break Begins at the End of the School Day	20	20

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April	6(T) 16(F)	Schools Reopen Third Marking Period Ends—Assessment Day for Elementary and Middle Schools**—Schools Close 3 Hours Early for Elementary and Middle School Students	19	19
May	3(M) 17(M) 28(F) 31(M)	Distribution of Report Cards PreK/K Conference Day—no Pre-K or Kindergarten sessions Last Day for Seniors Memorial Day Observed—Schools and Offices Closed	20	20
June	1-10 (T-Th) 14(M) 16-17 (W,Th) 17(Th) 18(F)	Commencement Exercises Flag Day* Assessment Days****: Schools close 3 Hours Early for High School Students; Teachers on Duty Assessment Day**: Schools Close 3 Hours Early for Elementary and Middle School Students; Teachers on Duty Last Day of Classes for Students; Schools Close 3 Hours Early for Students; Teachers on Duty	14	14
TOTALS			187	195
July	2(F) 5(M) 6(T)	Summer School teachers on duty Independence Day Observed – Schools and Offices Closed Summer School begins		
August	6(F)	Summer School ends		

*Schools open with appropriate exercises OR appropriate exercises to be scheduled on the school day prior

**ASSESSMENT DAYS/SITE BASED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT - Elementary and middle schools will be given time for parents, teachers, and students to meet and/or assess progress and/or participate in development activities.

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****ASSESSMENT DAYS- High schools will have the opportunity to administer traditional final exams or to use alternative assessment procedures.

If schools are closed seven days due to emergency conditions, it will be necessary to alter the school calendar. Additional days may be scheduled as required at the end of the school year. Depending on the use of emergency closing time, the calendar may be reduced if the time is not needed to meet the minimum required days/hours. One-half days may be modified. Teacher duty days will not exceed 191.