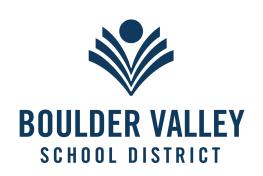


Spring 2020

# Academic Calendar Input and Development Process

# **Background**

The Academic Calendars are created In accordance with BVSD Board Policy IC/IC-A, and based on a collaboratively developed set of calendar guiding principles, nationally designated holidays, and compliance with the Colorado Department of Education requirements for instructional time.



# **Employee Negotiated Agreements**

## Below are elements from our current employee contracts:

- Students must be in school for 172 days.
- Four (4) additional days are set aside as exchange days for parent-teacher conferences, which are held after school.
- Five and one-half (5 ½) additional days must be set aside as teacher Work Days: one and one-half (1 ½) days before students start school, one (1) day at mid-year at the end of the first semester or second trimester (currently third week of February) and one (1) day at the end of the school year plus four other half (½) days.
- Four and one-half (4 ½) additional days must be set aside as teacher Professional Development Days.
- The following holidays must be on our calendar: Thanksgiving Day; Christmas Day; New Year's Day; Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day; Washington-Lincoln Day (Presidents' Day); Memorial Day; Independence Day; Labor Day; and Veterans Day. Per the State of Colorado, Veterans Day must be celebrated on November 11<sup>th</sup>.

## **Key Considerations**

The following guiding principles were developed collaboratively by a stakeholder group that included parents, teachers, building and Ed. Center leaders and classified staff.

- Provide a calendar that is the same for all schools elementary, middle, K-8 and high school.
- Limit the number of partial school weeks (fewer than five days).
- Coordinate the BVSD calendar with the University of Colorado-Boulder and St. Vrain Valley School District.
- End first semester prior to winter break.
- End the school year prior to Memorial Day.
- Begin the school year as late in August as possible or after Labor Day.
- Avoid scheduling breaks that would interfere with student participation in key assessments such as Access (for English Language Development), Colorado Measures for Academic Success (CMAS), Colorado SAT (CO-SAT), Advanced Placement (AP), and International Baccalaureate (IB).

## **Common Calendar Feedback**



## **Summer Heat**

The school year begins too early in August because classrooms are too hot.



## **Family Reunions**

The school year should begin in September because families in other parts of the country organize family reunions in August.



## **Religious Holidays**

Schools should not be in session on Jewish high holidays and/or academic content should not be introduced by teachers on those days.

# **Input from our Families**

BVSD asked parents and guardians to rank their preference among the following choices during the recent School Culture Survey.

Begin school: Middle of August End school: Before Memorial Day First semester: Ends at winter break 50% Prefer

Begin school: Last full week of August

28% Prefer

End school: First week of June

First semester: Ends after winter break

Begin school: First week of September

End school: Second week of June

First semester: Ends after winter break

22% Prefer



## **Timeline**

#### **February**

Stakeholder survey to determine calendar priorities-families and staff (Maybe set up at conferences)

#### February 11, 2020

Worksession with Board about process

#### April 1- May 21

Feedback on proposed calendars by the groups in grey box.

MAY

BOE Study item/work session

### September

District Parent Council **Principal Advisory Committee** 

Committee

Feedback Groups:

Network Leadership Team

District Accountability

**BVEA Executive Board** 

**Teacher Advisory Committee** 

Latino Parent Advisory Council

**BVEA Association** Representatives

Superintendent's Cabinet

#### March 15-30

MAR

Creation of proposed calendars for 21/22 and 22/23 based on survey information

Promotion/Setup

JAN

#### July/August

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Revision of proposed calendars

#### October

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BOE approval of proposed calendars for 21/22 and 22/23



#### Boulder Valley School District Academic Calendar 2021-2022

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Jul. 04	Independence Day	EXCHANGE DAYS /NO CLASSES
Sept. 06	Labor Day	Nov. 22 & 23
Nov. 11	Veterans Day	April 8 & 11

NON STUDENT CONTACT DAYS Teacher PD or Work Day

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#### Thanksgiving Day **QUARTER DATES** Christmas First Quarter Ends Oct. 15 New Years Day M L King Day Third Quarter Ends March 18 Presidents' Day

Second	Trimester Ends Feb. 11

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	Second Semester Begins <b>Jan. 4</b>
	Second Semester Ends May 27

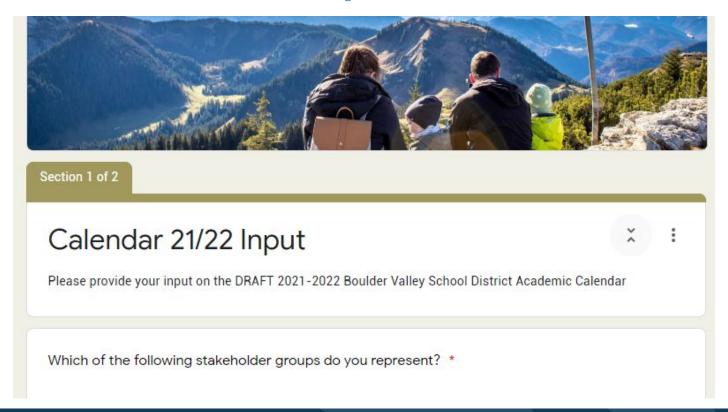
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(No class for students)	Winter Break: Dec. 19-Jan. 2
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Feb. 20	Presidents' Day	
May 29	Memorial Day	TRIMESTER DATES
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	Second Semester Begins Jan. 3
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# **Draft Calendar 22/23 Input**

