2027-28 Instructional Calendar

OCTOBER 26, 2026

DEIC Instructional Calendar Priority

Recommend to the School Board an instructional calendar based on what is instructionally best for students.

Texas Education Code Requirements

Students

- Minimum of **75,600 instructional minutes**
- Earliest last day of instruction: **May 15**
- Two parent-teacher conference opportunities

Staff and Operations

- **187-day** teacher contract
- Inclement weather days
- District of Innovation flexibility

Students = Minutes

Teachers = Days

Instructional Calendar Standard District Expectations

Instructionally Best for Students

Promotes Student Attendance

Considers State Testing Calendar

Minimum of 173 Instructional Days

Balanced Semesters

Built-In Inclement Weather Days

(2 – Minimum)

440 Instructional Minutes Daily

Strategic Placement of **10** PD Days

Supports Summer Programs

(district and college)

Professional Development Waiver

- Max of 2,100 state-approved minutes
- 440 instructional minutes/day
- **= 4.7 instructional days**

CFISD Historical Community Expectations

- Spring Break
- One week for Thanksgiving break
- Two weeks for winter holiday break
- Election day
- Holidays: Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve/Day, New Year's Day, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day

CFISD Community Feedback

Which calendar do you prefer?		
	Calendar Version #1	
	Count	Percentage
District Employee (with students enrolled in CFISD)	2,996	70%
District Employee (without students enrolled in CFISD)	3,209	68%
Parent (not a CFISD employee)	7,455	55%
Community Member (without students enrolled in CFISD)	204	55%
CFISD Student	1,466	81%

Why do you prefer this calendar? (Select all that apply)		
	Calendar Version #1	
	Count	Percentage
I like the first day of school.	3,106	9%
I like the last day of school.	3,872	12%
I like the professional development/student holidays.	6,151	19%
I like the student/staff holidays.	13,123	40%
I like the teacher workdays/student holidays.	6,660	20%
Total Responses	32,912	

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- Feeder pattern groups (12)
- Work on the 2027-28 instructional calendar
- Consensus on two instructional calendars
- Post calendars and collect feedback from the community

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- DEIC reviews community input
- Adjustments to proposed calendars (if needed)
- Select instructional calendar to recommend to the Board

Present to Board Nov. 5, 2025