

School Year Calendar 2021-2022

To: Planning and Priorities Committee

Date: 6 April, 2021

Report No.: 04-21-4069

Strategic Directions

• Make every school an effective school

Recommendation

It is recommended that the school year calendar for 2021-2022 for elementary, secondary and year round alternative schools be approved.

Context

Regulation 304 requires that there be a minimum of 194 school days between 1 September and 30 June, including a maximum of ten examination days for secondary schools and a maximum of seven Professional Activity (PA) days. It also establishes the dates for the Christmas Break and the Mid-Winter Break.

Each year, the Ministry of Education provides direction to school boards in determining their calendar for the following school year. In February, a School Year Calendar committee with representative membership (Appendix A) convened to develop recommendations around the 2021-2022 School Year Calendar.

In consultation with the School Year Calendar Committee, Toronto Catholic District School Board and other neighbouring Boards it was recommended that Winter Break will be scheduled from December 20 – December 31, 2021.

The Key Dates (Appendix B) have been reviewed by the Board's Equity team.

PA Days

PA days have been designated for curriculum and program review and development, as well as all other professional activities of teachers. Boards are required to include in their 2021-2022 calendars, three PA days in which teachers will engage in professional activities that enhance teacher capacity and maximize student learning in priority areas.

The following dates are the PA Days for elementary and secondary schools. Schools will have seven scheduled PA Days.

	Elementary	Secondary
1.	3 September 2021	3 September 2021
2.	7 September 2021	7 September 2021
3.	8 September 2021	8 September 2021
4.	19 November 2021	19 November 2021
5.	14 January 2022	18 February 2022
6.	18 February 2022	30 June 2021
7.	3 June 2022	*2 February 2022
		(Semestered schools only)
		*29 June 2022
		(Full-year schools only)

*PA Day for semestered schools only on 2 February 2022

*PA Day for full-year schools only on 29 June 2022

The attached calendars for the elementary and secondary panels represent recommended dates for all schools in the Board (Appendices C - F).

Secondary School Examination Days

A maximum of ten examination days will be determined by each secondary school in consultation with the School Council, Superintendent of Education, and staff, to identify the most appropriate timeframes for the school.

Year Round Alternative Schools

The Board operates four alternative programs in the Year Round Model: Year Round Alternative School; Etobicoke Year Round Alternative Centre; South East Year Round Alternative Centre; and North East Year Round Alternative Centre. The program is based on quadmesters and students study throughout the entire calendar year. The timetable for the placement of PA days and holidays has been confirmed by the

Principal of Secondary Alternative Schools and Year Round Schools, in consultation with staff and community (Appendix G).

Consultation

In addition to each member of the School Year Calendar Committee consulting with group represented, PIAC and Student Senate have reviewed this document.

Consultation with Other Boards

Staff has consulted with the Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB), as well as the Peel and York Region District School Boards, to ensure the most consistency possible with their School Year Calendar plans. It is important that the Board align the calendar as much as possible with the TCDSB because of shared student transportation services.

Implementation and Review

Students, parents and staff will have sufficient notice to make plans for the 2021-2022 school year following Ministry approval.

Appendices

- Appendix A: School Year Calendar Committee 2021-2022
- Appendix B: Key Dates School Year Calendar 2021-2022
- Appendix C: Elementary School Year Calendar 2021-2022
- Appendix D: Secondary School Year Calendar Non-Semestered 2021-2022
- Appendix E: Secondary School Year Calendar Quadmestered 2021-2022
- Appendix F: Secondary School Year Calendar Semestered 2021-2022
- Appendix G: Year Round School Year Calendar 2021-2022

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APPENDIX A

SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR COMMITTEE – 2021-2022

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Child Care Services
Communications & Public Affairs
Continuing Education
Early Years Program
Employee Services
Equity
ETT
ETFO – Toronto Occasional Teachers Local
Facility Services
Inclusive Schools: Students, Parent & Community
Information Technology Services/Student Information Services
OSSTF D12
OSSTF - Secondary Occasional
Parent Involvement Advisory Committee
Professional Learning & Leadership Development
Secondary Alternative & Year Round Schools
Strategy & Planning
Secondary Review
Student Trustee
Superintendents of Education (2) West/East
Toronto School Administrators' Association
Leadership & Learning
Transportation (Business Services)
Trustee
Unit A, OSSTF - District 12, PSSP

KEY DATES - SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR 2021-2022

The official school year calendar for the Toronto District School Board runs from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, inclusive.

Professional Activity	September	November	January	February	June
Days				_	
Elementary Schools	3, 7, 8	19	14	18	3
Secondary Schools	3, 7, 8	19		2*, 18	29*, 30

*Semester Change: The first day of second semester is February 3, 2022. Secondary school calendar includes a PA day for quadmester/semestered schools only on February 2, 2022 and a PA Day for full-year schools only on June 29, 2022.

Designation of Profess	sional Activity Days
Elementary	Secondary
 September 3, 2021 – Professional Development September 7, 2021 – Professional Development September 8, 2021 – Professional Development November 19, 2021 – Parent Teacher Conferences January 14, 2022 – Assessment and Reporting February 18, 2022 – Parent Teacher Conferences June 3, 2022 – Assessment and Reporting 	 September 3, 2021 – Professional Development September 7, 2021 – Professional Development September 8, 2021 – Professional Development November 19, 2021 – Professional Development February 18, 2022 – Professional Development June 30, 2022 – Professional Development February 2, 2022 - *Quadmester/Semestered Schools only June 29, 2022 - *Full-Year Schools only

EQAO: - The following dates have been established:

Gr. 9 Math: TBD Gr. 9 Math: TBD OSSLT: TBD Primary/Junior EQAO: TBD

Dates to Remember	- School Year Holidays (as per Ministry of Education)
Labour Day:	September 6, 2021
Thanksgiving:	October 11, 2021
Winter Break:	December 20, 2021 – December 31, 2021
Family Day:	February 21, 2022
Mid-Winter Break:	March 14 - 18, 2022
Good Friday:	April 15, 2022
Easter Monday:	April 18, 2022
Victoria Day:	May 23, 2022

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