

School Year Calendar 2019-2020

To: Program and School Services Committee

Date: 20 February, 2019

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Strategic Directions

Make every school an effective school

Recommendation

It is recommended that the school year calendar for 2019-2020 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 January, a School Year Calendar committee with representative membership (Appendix A) convened to develop recommendations around the 2019-2020 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 23, 2019 - January 3, 2020.

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 2019-2020 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.	11 October 2019	11 October 2019
2.	15 November 2019	15 November 2019
3.	6 December 2019	6 December 2019
4.	17 January 2020	14 February 2020
5.	14 February 2020	25 June 2020
6.	5 June 2020	26 June 2020
7.	26 June 2020	*30 January 2020
		(Semestered schools only)
		*24 June 2020
		(Full-year schools only)

^{*}PA Day for semestered schools only on 30 January 2020

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

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

^{*}PA Day for full-year schools only on 24 June 2020

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

Consultation

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

Consultation with Other Boards

Staff has consulted with the Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB), as well as the Durham, 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 2019-2020 school year following Ministry approval.

Appendices

- Appendix A: School Year Calendar Committee 2019-2020
- Appendix B: Key Dates School Year Calendar 2019-2020
- Appendix C: Elementary School Year Calendar 2019-2020
- Appendix D: Secondary School Year Calendar 2019-2020
- Appendix E: Year Round School Year Calendar 2019-2020

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KEY DATES - SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR 2019-2020

The official school year calendar for the Toronto District School Board runs from September 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020, inclusive.

Professional Activity Days	October	November	December	January	February	June
Elementary Schools	11	15	6	17	14	5, 26
Secondary Schools	11	15	6	30*	14	24*,25,26

^{*}Semester Change: The first day of second semester is January 31, 2020. Secondary school calendar includes a PA day for semestered schools only on January 30, 2020 and a PA Day for full-year schools only on June 24, 2020.

Designation of Profes	ssional Activity Days
Elementary	Secondary
1. October 11, 2019- Compliance Training	1. October 11, 2019- Professional Development
2. November 15, 2019-Parent/Teacher Conference	2. November 15, 2019- Common PA day
3. December 6, 2019-Federation Day	3. December 6, 2019- Common PA day
4. January 17, 2020-Assessment and Reporting	4. February 14, 2020- Common PA day
5. February 14, 2020-Parent/Teacher Conference	5. June 25, 2020 - Common PA day
6. June 5, 2020-Assessment and Reporting	6. June 26, 2020 - Common PA day
7. June 26, 2020- Professional Development	
	7. January 30, 2020- *Semestered Schools only
	June 24, 2020-*Full Year Schools only

EQAO: - The following dates have been established:

Gr. 9 Math: 1st Semester: January 13-24, 2020 **OSSLT:** March 31, 2020

Gr. 9 Math: 2nd Semester: June 2 – 15, 2020 Primary/Junior EQAO: May 19 – June 1, 2020

Dates to Remember - S	School Year Holidays (as per Ministry of Education)
Labour Day:	September 2, 2019
Thanksgiving:	October 14, 2019
Winter Break:	December 23, 2019 – January 3, 2020
Family Day:	February 17, 2020
Mid-Winter Break:	March 16 - 20, 2020
Good Friday:	April 10, 2020
Easter Monday:	April 13, 2020
Victoria Day:	May 18, 2020

ELEMENTARY

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Legend → **H** - Holiday Schedule

Scheduled **Examination Day** Professional **Activity Day**

Board Designated **B** - Holiday

Half Day

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TOTAL

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Statutory Holiday Legend \rightarrow H -Schedule

Scheduled **Examination Day** Professional Activity Day

Designated B - Holiday

Half Day

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Statutory Holiday

Scheduled **Examination Day** Professional **Activity Day**

Designated B - Holiday

Half Day

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