

**BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**DATE:** January 25, 2005  
**TO:** **BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**FROM:** Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent  
**SUBJECT:** **PROPOSED CORRECTION TO CALENDAR, SCHOOL YEAR 2005-2006**

**ORIGINATOR:** Ms. Kara Calder, Chief Communications Officer

**RECOMMENDATION**

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That the Board reviews the Proposed Correction to the Calendar for School Year 2005-2006. Approval of the proposed corrections is scheduled for February 8, 2005.

**Background Information:** Board policy dictates that if a recognized holiday falls on a Sunday, the Monday following shall be the day of observance. The 2005-2006 School Calendar as approved by the Board of Education on June 8, 2004 currently reflects schools reopening after winter break on Monday, January 2, 2006. The proposed change is as follows:

- 1/3/06 (Tuesday) – Schools reopen
- 6/14-16 (Wed-Fri) – Assessment Days – schools close three hours early for High School Students, Teachers on Duty
- 6/15/06 (Thursday) Assessment Day – School close three hours early for Elementary and Middle School Students, Teachers on Duty
- 6/16/06 (Friday) – Last Day of Classes for Students, School close three hours early for students, teachers on duty

The total pupil and teachers days and hours remain unchanged from the original approved calendar.

The 2005-2006 Calendar Committee was convened on January 10, 2005 for the specific purpose of reviewing this recommendation.

**Attachment I – Proposed Calendar 2005-2006**

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Towson, Maryland 21204  
**Proposed Correction - Calendar 2005 –2006**

			Pupil Days	Teacher Days
August	19(F)	Administrative & Supervisory Personnel Meeting		
	22(M)	Teachers on Duty		
	29(M)	Opening Day for Students		
			3	8
September	5(M)	Labor Day—Schools and Offices Closed		
	30(F)	Team Planning—Elementary and Middle Schools Close 3 Hours Early		
			21	21
October	4(T)	Rosh Hashanah—Schools and Offices Closed		
	10(M)	Columbus Day*		
	13(Th)	Yom Kippur—Schools and Offices Closed		
	21(F)	Professional Development Day/MSTA Convention—Schools Closed for Students		
	24(M)	Professional Development Day—Schools Closed for Students		
			17	19
November	4(F)	First Marking Period Ends—Assessment Day for Elementary and Middle Schools***Schools Close 3 Hours Early for Elementary and Middle School Students		
	11(F)	Veterans Day*		
	14-18(M-F)	American Education Week		
	21(M)	Elementary Conference Day—Schools Closed for Elementary Students Distribution of Report Cards		
	24-25(Th-F)	Thanksgiving Holiday—Schools and Offices Closed		
			20	20
December	9(F)	Team Planning—Elementary and Middle Schools Close 3 Hours Early for Students		
	15(Th)	Bill of Rights Day*		
	23(F)	Winter Break Begins at End of School Day		
			17	17
January	<del>2(M)</del> 3(T)	Schools Reopen		
	15(S)	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday **		
	16(M)	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday Observed—Schools and Offices Closed		
	19(Th)	Second Marking Period Ends—Assessment Day for Elementary and Middle Schools***Schools Close 3 Hours Early for Elementary and Middle School Students		
	20(F)	Professional Development Day—Schools Closed for All Students High School Semester Changes		
			20	21

February	6(M) 12(S) 20(M) 22(W)	Distribution of Report Cards Lincoln's Birthday** Presidents' Day—Schools and Offices Closed Washington's Birthday*	19	19
March	25(S) 31(F)	Maryland Day** Third Marking Period Ends—Assessment Day for Elementary and Middle Schools***—Schools Close 3 Hours Early for Elementary and Middle School Students	23	23
April	7(F) 18(T) 25(T)	Spring Break Begins at the End of the School Day Schools Reopen Distribution of Report Cards	14	14
May	15(M) 26(F) 29(M) 30, 31(T,W)	PreK/K Conference Day—no preK, half-day, or full-day Kindergarten sessions Last Day for Seniors Memorial Day Observed—Schools and Offices Closed Commencement Exercises	22	22
June	1-6 (Th-T) <del>14-16(W-F)</del> <del>13-15(T-Th)</del> 14(W) <del>14(W)</del> <b>15(Th)</b> <del>15(Th)</del> <b>16(F)</b> 30(F)	Commencement Exercises Assessment Days****Schools close 3 Hours Early for High School Students; Teachers on Duty Flag Day* 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 Summer School Teachers on Duty for All Centers		
		<b>TOTALS</b>	<u>11</u> <b>187</b>	<u>11</u> <b>195</b>
July	3(M) 4(T)	Summer School Begins for All Centers Independence Day—Schools and Offices Closed		
August	4(F)	Last Day Summer School for All Centers		

\*Schools open with appropriate exercises

\*\*Appropriate exercises to be scheduled on the Friday before

\*\*\*ASSESSMENT DAYS- Elementary and middle schools will be given time for parents, teachers, and students to meet and/or assess progress

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

TEAM PLANNING AND STUDENT PERFORMANCE DATA ANALYSIS—Teachers will work in a variety of team structures at local schools to analyze and use performance data to develop differentiated strategies for improving student achievement.

If inclement weather conditions force us to close schools more than seven days, it will be necessary to alter the school calendar. These additional days will be scheduled as required at the end of the school year. The calendar will be reduced up to 5 days if not needed to offset days/hours when schools are closed due to inclement weather. **Teacher duty days will not exceed 191.** One-half days may be modified for inclement weather/emergency conditions.