

Elizabethtown Independent Schools

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December Update:

- 1. School Calendar Work
- 2. Handle With Care Program

December 13, 2021





School Calendar Committee:

- 1. One (1) District Principal **Thad Elmore**
- 2. One (1) District office administrator other than the Superintendent Jessica Turner
- 3. One (1) local Board member Matthew Wyatt
- 4. Two (2) parents of students attending a school in the District Holly Moberly and Amy Inman
- 5. One (1) District elementary teacher **Jimmy Knight**
- 6. One (1) District middle or high teacher Ashley Atcher
- 7. Two (2) District classified employees Brenda Gilkerson and Trish Pfeiffer
- 8. Two (2) community members from the local chamber of commerce, business community, or tourism commission.
 - Rick Games with E-town Industrial Foundation and Jana Clark with Etown Tourism Board
- 9. DPP Steve Smallwood



School Calendar Objectives

Develop and Approve 2 Calendar Options for the staff to vote on.

- a. We would like for the staff to vote on these options by December 9th.
- b. The results will be shared with the Board of Education on Monday, December 13th.
- c. The EIS Board will approve the calendar at the January Board Meeting.



School Calendar Requirements

- a. 187 Employee Contract Days
- b. 174 Instructional Days
- c. 4 Holidays (Labor Day-9/5, Thanksgiving Day-11/24,MLK Day-1/16, & President's Day-Feb. 20.)
- d. 4 PD Days
- e. 3 Professional Learning / Planning Days
- f. 1 Opening Day
- g. 1 Closing Day
- h. 8 Built-in make-up days as required by KDE.



Dates to Consider for Breaks

Fall Break: 1st Full Week of October: Oct. 3-7

Christmas Break: Last two weeks of December:

December 19 - December 30

Spring Break: April 10-14

This is when KEA has set their annual meeting dates.



Election Dates and FDEA Dates

EIS Schools will not be used for polling purposes, so we can be in session during the November Election and May Primary.

2022: November Election Day is November 8th. (First Tuesday, after the first Monday in November)

*In the past FDEA Day was scheduled the Monday before Election Day, however it has not been scheduled at this time within our district.

2023: Primary Election (first Tuesday after the third Monday in May) is Tuesday, May 16th

Schools are required to be closed during Presidential Elections.



Calendar Option 1

Very similar to this year's calendar.

3 PD Days before school and 1 in November on Election Day.

3 Professional Learning / Planning Days (Aug. 8, Oct. 10, and Jan. 2)

1st Day of School will be Aug. 10th Last Day of School will be May 24th

1st Day of Preschool will be Aug. 18th Last Day of Preschool will be May 16th

FDEA Dismissal Day - Nov. 7th



Calendar Option 2

ALL 4 PD Days will take place before school starts.

3 Professional Learning / Planning Days (Oct. 10, Jan. 2, and April 17)

1st Day of School will be Aug. 10th - same as option 1 Last Day of School will be May 25th - 1 day later

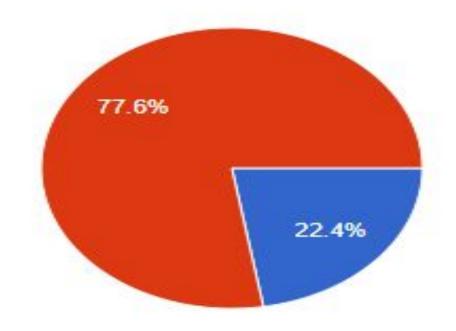
1st Day of Preschool will be Aug. 18th - same as option 1 Last Day of Preschool will be May 17th - 1 day later

FDEA Dismissal Day can take place on Nov. 21st or Nov. 22nd School will be dismissed Mon- Friday during Thanksgiving Week.



Voting Results from EIS Faculty and Staff

170 responses



Calendar 1Calendar 2

Option 1: 38 Votes

Option 2: 132 Votes



Handle With Care Program Update

The "Handle With Care" Model:

If a law enforcement officer encounters a child during a call, that child's name and three words, **HANDLE WITH CARE**, are forwarded to the school/child care agency before the school bell rings the next day.

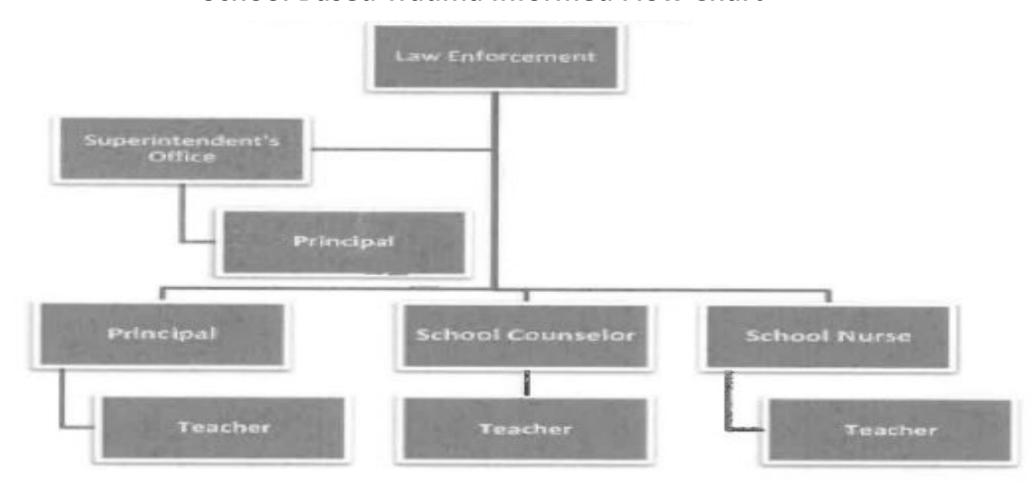
This allows for school administrators, counselors, and teachers to be on standby in case a student needs support throughout the school day.

If a child needs more intervention, we will ask a school counselor or the new EIS Social Worker, Miranda Burnett to provide additional support to the student.



Handle With Care Program Update

School Based Trauma Informed Flow Chart





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Jon Akers - Executive Director of the KY Center for School Safety

Ben Wilcox - State School Safety Marshal

PSA on the Handle With Care Program