

Bullitt County Public Schools Department of Pupil Personnel

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Presented at Board

Meeting on:

Date:

November 11, 2022

To:

Dr. Jesse Bacon

From:

Steve Smallwood

Re:

Calendar Committee Recommendation for 23-24 School Calendar

Dear Dr. Bacon.

The BCPS Calendar Committee had their 2nd meeting on November 10, 2022 to develop and finalize a calendar recommendation for the 2023-2024 school year for you and the members of the board of education to review during your next board meeting. The board is required to hold (2) meetings 1) one that includes hearing and discussing recommendations and 2) a subsequent meeting that includes adoption of the calendar. The meetings may be regular or special.

Attached is rational for our recommendation, state requirements, survey results and the recommended calendar for the 2023-2024 School Calendar.

RATIONAL FOR 2023-2024 SCHOOL CALENDAR

In order to meet state requirements and accommodate the recommendations from our survey results, we had a tight window to work with in developing the 2023-2024 school calendar. However, the committee feels that we were able to develop a calendar that covered all state requirements and meet all the survey recommendations. Unfortunately, with Christmas falling on a Monday, it made it tough to develop a traditional 2 week Christmas Break and still be able to get out of school by May 17th. Our goal was to have our high school graduations the weekend before Memorial Day Weekend. With us having to share a venue with JCPS schools for graduations in order to accommodate our high school graduates and their families, we try to avoid graduations on Memorial Day Weekend if possible. We also didn't want to extend our school year beyond Memorial Day Weekend and into June, so that was a big obstacle for us in developing the 2023-2024 school calendar.

Respectfully.

DPP. Calendar Committee Chair



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BULLITT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS CALENDAR REQUIREMENTS & CHECK LIST

- 1. 187 Employee Contract Days
- 2. 170 Instructional Days
- 3. 7 Bullitt Days for Planning and Professional Learning
- 4. 4 Holidays (Labor Day 9/4, Thanksgiving Day 11/23, MLK Jr. Day 1/15, and Oaks Day 5/3)
- 5. 4 Professional Development Day (PD Days)
- 6. 1 Opening Day
- 7. 1 Closing Day
- 8. Dismiss School for Election Day Tuesday, Nov. 7th (Can be a PD Day or a Bullitt Day)
- 9. Dismiss School for Primary Election Day Tuesday, May 21st (Not Conducive for PD)
- 10. District is required to be CLOSED on Memorial Day Monday, May 27th

SURVEY RESULTS INDICATED THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. 67% would like to start school during the 2nd week of August, 25.6% would like to start school during the 3rd week of Aug., and 7.6% for the 1st week of Aug.
- 2. 77.9% indicated that they preferred to start school on a Wednesday and 11.7% chose Monday.
- 3. 38.9% preferred the 1st week of October for Fall Break, 35.1% preferred 2nd week, and 26% had no preference.
- 4. 80.9% are generally satisfied with the current school calendar.
- 5. Most preferred Bullitt Days to be spread throughout the school year and after long breaks.
- Avoid having a PD day the day before the First Day of School.
- 7. Avoid having graduation during Memorial Day Weekend.









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P- Professional Development
G- Planning Day

U- Make-up (weather) K- Break Day M- Other