

Title 13A
State Board of Education
Subtitle 02: Local School Administration
Chapter 01: Local Boards of Education
Education Article 7-103
Annotated Code of Maryland

.04 Length of the School Year

A. Schools shall be open a minimum of 180 days per year. In implementing Education Article, §7-103, Annotated Code of Maryland, a waiver of the 180-day requirement will be granted by the State Board of Education to local school systems only when:

- (1) The demonstrate that sufficient effort has been made through calendar planning and modification; and
- (2) Natural or civil disasters or severe weather conditions are sufficiently significant to warrant waiver.

B. The closing of individual schools does not require a waiver by the State Board of Education but may be granted by permission of the State Superintendent of Schools upon request of the local superintendent of schools.

C. Application for Waiver

(1) In the required written application for waiver of school days, it shall be determined that:

- a. The local school system developed a calendar which included days to be used to make up days lost. Depending upon past experience, this number could range from 3-10 days throughout the State. The local school system calendar shall have identified those potential make-up days which could have been used as student days when calendar modification becomes necessary; that is, make-up days, student vacation days, etc.
- b. The local school system has modified its calendar by scheduling school on the make-up days provided in the original calendar and by extending the school year 5 days beyond the previously scheduled closing date.

(2) In considering this application, the State Board of Education may waive:

- a. The final day needed to complete the 180-day schedule if that day falls on a Monday;
- b. Additional days beyond those specified in § C (1) (b) of this regulation that would have to be added to the calendar to complete a 180-day schedule.

**Legal holidays include: Thanksgiving Day and the day after; Christmas Eve through January 1st; Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday; Presidents' Day; Good Friday and Easter Monday; Memorial Day; Primary and General Election Days.*

August 2018 – Pre-Labor Day

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 1 st Day for Teachers AM-School Based PD/ PM-Teacher Work Time	23 Convocation AM-School Based Staff Development/ PM- Teacher Work Time	24 Supervisor System wide Professional Development	25
26	27 School Based School Improvement	28 Teacher Work Time	29 SCHOOLS OPEN 3-hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time	30	31	S= 3 T= 8 S= 3/180 T= 8/190

September 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED <small>Labor Day</small>	4 PRE-K AND K BEGINS	5	6	7	8
9	10 <small>Rosh Hashanah</small>	11 12 13 <small>5th (CW/WT) and 7th (MS/WM) Grade Outdoor School</small>			14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		<small>5th (WS/FR) and 7th (WA) Grade Outdoor School</small> <small>Yom Kippur</small>				
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		<small>5th (SP/BL) and 7th (BR) Grade Outdoor School</small>				
30						S= 19 T= 19 S= 22/180 T= 27/190

October 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 SCHOOLS CLOSED- Parent Conference Day ELEM. 8-9:00 Teacher Plan; 9-12:00 & 1:00-3:30 Parent Conferences SEC. 10-11:00 Teacher Plan; 11-2:00 & 3:00-5:30 Parent Conferences	3	4	5	6
		5 th Grade Outdoor School (CA/GC/PA)				
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Columbus Day	5 th Grade Outdoor School (NE/BE)				
			PSAT Testing			
14	15	16	17 SCHOOLS CLOSED 8-11 PRINCIPAL PD 11-12 LUNCH 12-2 TEACHER WORK TIME 2-5 EMPLOYEE HEALTH FAIR	18	19	20
		5 th Grade Outdoor School (FL/JD/MS)			MSEA Convention	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
			Reality Fair			
28	29	30	31			S= 21 T= 23 S= 43/180 T= 50/190
			Halloween			

November 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 Close of 1 st Marking Period (45 days)	3
4 Daylight Savings Time Ends	5 3-hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time (No Breakfast Served) If school is closed on this day, the make-up day will be the next full day of school.	6 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED General Election Day	7	8	9	10
11 Veteran's Day	12 Focus on the Future (Set up)	13 Focus on the Future (BR & MS)	14 Focus on the Future (WA & WM)	15	16 Report Cards Released	17
18	19	20	21 3-hr Early Dismissal	22 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Thanksgiving Day	23 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED	24
25	26 SCHOOLS CLOSED	27 SCHOOLS REOPEN 2-hr Delay - Teacher Work Time	28	29	30	S= 18 T= 18 S= 61/180 T= 68/190

December 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2 Hanukkah	3	4	5	6	7 Pearl Harbor Day	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 3-hr Early Dismissal	22
23	24 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Christmas Eve	25 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Christmas	26 SCHOOLS CLOSED Kwanzaa	27 SCHOOLS CLOSED	28 SCHOOLS CLOSED	29
30	31 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED New Year's Eve					S= 15 T= 15 S= 76/180 T= 83/190

January 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED New Year's Day	2 SCHOOLS REOPEN 2-hr Delay - Teacher Work Time	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 SCHOOLS CLOSED AM- SUPERVISOR STAFF DEVELOPMENT/ PM-TEACHER WORK TIME	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED MLK Jr Day* Refer to COMAR 7-103, possible snow make-up day	22	23	24 Close of 2 nd Marking Period End of 1 st Sem. (46 days)	25 3-hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time	26
27	28	29	30	31 Report Cards Released		S= 20 T= 21 S= 96/180 T= 104/190

February 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 Groundhog Day
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 Lincoln's Birthday	13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16
17	18 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Presidents' Day* Refer to COMAR 7-103, possible snow make-up day Washington's Birthday	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28		S= 19 T= 19 S= 115/180 T= 123/190

March 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4 SCHOOLS CLOSED- Parent Conference Day ELEM. 10-11:00 Teacher Plan; 11-2:00 & 3:00-5:30 Parent Conferences SEC. 8-9:00 Teacher Plan; 9-12:00 & 1:00-3:30 Parent Conferences	5	6	7	8	9
10 Daylight Savings Time Begins	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 2-hr Delay - Teacher Work Time	26	27	28	29	30
31						S= 20 T= 21 S= 135/180 T= 144/190

April 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Close of 3 rd Marking Period (45 Days)	2 3-hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time	3 Reality Fair	4 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;">Pre-K, Kindergarten, & 1st Grade Registration</div>	5	6
7	8	9 Report Cards Released	10	11	12	13
14 Palm Sunday	15	16	17	18 3 Hr. Early Dismissal	19 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Good Friday* Refer to COMAR 7-103, possible snow make-up day	20
21 Easter	22 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED* Refer to COMAR 7-103, possible snow make-up day Earth Day	23 SCHOOLS & OFFICES REOPEN	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				S= 20 T= 20 S= 155/180 T= 164/190

May 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 AP Testing May 6-10	6	7	8 School Nurse's Day	9	10	11
12 AP Testing May 13-17 Mother's Day	13	14	15	16 CCTE CERTIFICATION CEREMONY	17	18 Armed Forces Day
19	20 LAST DAY FOR SENIORS	21 FORT HILL GRADUATION	22 ALLEGANY GRADUATION	23	24	25
26	27 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Memorial Day* Refer to COMAR 7-103, possible snow make-up day	28 MOUNTAIN RIDGE GRADUATION	29	30	31	S= 22 T= 22 S= 177/180 T= 186/190

June 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4	5 Close of 4 th Marking Period (44 days) (Last student day WITHOUT the 5 days)	6 Last Days for Teachers Principal/Teacher Work Time (Last teacher day WITHOUT the 5 days)	7	8
9	10	11	12 STUDENTS' LAST DAY 3-hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time (Last student day WITH BUILT IN 5 days)	13 Last Days for Teachers Teacher Work Time (Last teacher day WITH BUILT IN 5 days)	14 Flag Day	15
16 Father's Day	17	18	19 Reports Cards Released	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30						S= 8 T= 9 S=185/180 T=195/190

End of Year Student Make-up Days Refer to COMAR 7-103 C (1) (b) (per waiver eligibility requirement)
