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. Senate Bill 610- Virtual Education Days for A Severe Weather Event

A local superintendent may decide to provide a day of virtual education for public school students in the county only if (1) the local school system has used all the days incorporated into its calendar for school closures for severe weather conditions; (2) the local board of education has authorized the local superintendent to provide virtual education days to students; (3) and the local superintendent determines the severe weather conditions are likely to prevent normal attendance at the public school.

The district has built in three days for school closures for severe weather conditions at the end of the school year.

A virtual education day must consist of not less than four hours of synchronous instruction and asynchronous instruction designed to maximize the advantages of online access.

*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 2024 – 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 1st Day for Teachers AM-School Based Staff Development/ PM-Teacher Work Time	20 AM-School-Based School Improvement PM-Teacher Work Time	21 AM-School Based Staff Development/ PM- Teacher Work Time	Supervisor System-wide Professional Development	Teacher Work Time	24	
25	SCHOOLS OPEN 3-Hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time	27	28	29 Pre-K-K Begins A-L	Pre-K-K Begins M-Z	S= 5 T= 10 S= 5/180 T= 10/190	

	September 2024							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
1	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Labor Day	All Pre-K-K Students Start School	4	5	6	7		
		5 th Gra	ide Outdoor School – Co	ash Valley and South Pe	nn			
8	9	10	11	12	13	14		
			7 th Grade O	utdoor School - Westmo	ar			
		5 th Grade Outdoor	School – Cresaptown, F	lintstone, and Bel Air				
15	16	17	18	19	20	21		
			 oor School – West Side & Outdoor School – Mt Sav					
22	23	24	25	26	27	28		
			School – John Humbird, I de Outdoor School – Wo					
29	30 3-Hr Delayed Opening Principal Staff Development					S= 20 T= 20 S= 25/180 T= 30/190		

	October 2024						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
		1	2	3	4	5	
				 ool – Beall and Parkside School – Braddock			
			Rosh Hashanah				
6	7 SCHOOLS CLOSED - Parent Conference Day ELEM. 8-9:00 Teacher Plan; 9-12:00 &1:00-3:30	Tri-State College Night Allegany College	9	10	11	12	
	Parent Conferences SEC. 10-11:00 Teacher Plan;	6:30-8:30 p.m.	5 th Grade Outdoor Scho	ool – Northeast and We	sternport		
	11-2:00 & 3:00-5:30 Parent Conferences	7 th Grade Outdoor School – Braddock	PSAT Testing		Yom Kippur		
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
	Columbus Day				MSEA Convention		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
			Reality Fair				
27	28	29	30	End of 1st Marking Period (47 days) Halloween		S= 22 T= 23 S= 47/180 T= 53/190	

	November 2024							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
					3-Hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time	2		
Daylight Savings Time Ends	4	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED General Election Day	6	7	8	9		
10	Veterans Day Focus on the Future (Set-Up)	Focus on the Future (BR & MS)	Focus on the Future (WA & WM)	14 Report Cards Released	SCHOOLS CLOSED Supervisor Staff Development	16		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23		
24	25	26	3-Hr Early Dismissal	28 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Thanksgiving Day	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED	S= 17 T= 18 S= 64/180 T= 71/190		

	December 2024							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
1	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS REOPEN	4	5	6	7 Pearl Harbor Day		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14		
15	16	17	18	19	3-Hr Early Dismissal	21		
22	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Christmas Eve	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Hanukkah Christmas	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS CLOSED	28		
29	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED New Year's Eve				S= 14 T= 14 S= 78/180 T= 85/190		

	January 2025							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
			SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED New Year's Day	SCHOOLS REOPEN	3	4		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11		
12	13	14	15	End of 2 nd Marking Period - End of 1 st Semester (42 days)	SCHOOLS CLOSED AM – Principal Staff Dev PM - Teacher Work Time	18		
19	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED MLK Jr Day	21	22	23	24 Report Card Released	25		
26	27	28	29	30	31	S= 20 T= 21 S= 98/180 T= 106/190		

	February 2025								
Sunday	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday								
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2 Groundhog Day	3	4	5	6	7	8			
9	10	11	12 Lincoln's Birthday	13	3-Hr Early Dismissal Supervisor Staff Dev	15			
16	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Presidents' Day Washington's Birthday	18	19	20	21	22			
23	24	25	26	27	28	S= 19 T= 19 S= 117/180 T= 125/190			

	March 2025								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday			
						1			
2	SCHOOLS CLOSED Parent Conference Day ELEM. 10-12 Teacher Plan; 12:00-2:00 & 3:00-5:30 Parent Conferences SEC. 8-10 Teacher Plan; 10:00-12:00 & 1:00-3:30 Parent Conferences	4	5	6	7	8			
9 Daylight Savings Time Begins	10	11	12	13	14	15			
16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20	21	22			
23	24	25	End of 3 rd Marking Period (45 Days)	3-Hr Delayed Opening Teacher Work Time	28	29			
30	31					S= 20 T= 21 S= 137/180 T= 146/190			

	April 2025							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
Pre-K, Kindergarten, & 1st Grade Registration		1	2	3	Report Cards Released	5		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
13 Palm Sunday	14	15	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Good Friday	19		
20 Easter	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED* Refer to COMAR 7-103, possible snow make-up day	22 Earth Day	23	24	25	26		
27	28	29	Reality Fair			S= 18 T= 18 S= 155/180 T= 164/190		

	May 2025							
Sunday	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday							
				1	2	3		
AP Testing May 5-9	5	6	7 School Nurse's Day	8	9	10		
AP Testing May 12-16 Mother's Day	12	13	14	15 CCTE CERTIFICATION CEREMONY 6 P.M. – Canal Place	16 LAST DAY FOR SENIORS	Graduation Day Mountain Ridge – 9 a.m. Allegany – 12 p.m. Fort Hill – 4 p.m. Armed Forces Day		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24		
25	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Memorial Day	27	28	29	30	31 S= 21 T= 21 S= 176/180 T= 185/190		

June	2025
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	Built in inclement weather day (1)	7
8	9 Built in inclement weather day (2)	STUDENTS' LAST DAY 3-Hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time Built in inclement weather day (3) Close of 4th MP (46 Days) With built-in days	11 TEACHERS' LAST DAY 8:00-10:00 - Principal Meeting/Teacher Work Time With built-in days	12	13	14 Flag Day
15 Father's Day	16	17	18	19 Juneteenth	20	21
22	23	24	25 Reports Cards Released	26	27	28
29	30					S= 7 T= 8 S=183/180 T=193/190

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