

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 2020 – Post Labor Day (VIRTUAL/HYBRID)

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 1 st Day for Teachers AM-Principal Staff Dev PM-Teacher Work Time	20 AM-Principal Staff Dev PM- Teacher Work Time	21 Supervisor Professional Dev	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					S= 0 T= 3 S= 0/180 T= 3/190

September 2020 (VIRTUAL/HYBRID)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Teacher Work Time	3 Teacher Work Time	4	5
6	7 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Labor Day	8 SCHOOL STARTS VIRTUAL LEARNING A	9 B	10 PRE-K AND K STARTS VIRTUAL LEARNING A	11 B	12
13	14 PRINCIPAL STAFF DEV 12:30-2:00 PM A	15 B	16 A	17 B	18 Rosh Hashanah A	19
20	21 B	22 A	23 B	24 A	25 SUPERVISOR STAFF DEV 12:30-2:00 PM B	26
27	28 TEACHER WORK TIME 12:30-3:00 PM Yom Kippur A	29 B	30 A			S= 17 T= 19 S= 17/180 T= 22/190

October 2020 (VIRTUAL/HYBRID)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Schools Open for Virtual Learning Virtual Parent Conference ELEM & SEC. 12:30-3:00 PM B	2 Schools Open for Virtual Learning Virtual Parent Conference ELEM & SEC. 12:30-3:00 PM A	3
4	5 B	6 A	7 B	8 A	9 B	10
11	12 PRINCIPAL STAFF DEV 12:30-2:00 PM Columbus Day A	13 B	14 PSAT Testing A	15 B	16 TEACHER WORK TIME 12:30-3:00 PM MSEA Convention A	17
18	19 B	20 A	21 B	22 A	23 SUPERVISOR STAFF DEV 12:30-2:00 PM B	24
25	26 A	27 B	28 A	29 B	30 A	31 Halloween S= 22 T= 22 S= 39/180 T= 44/190

November 2020 (VIRTUAL/HYBRID)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Daylight Savings Time Ends	2 PRINCIPAL STAFF DEV. 12:30-2:00 PM	3 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Election Day	4	5	6	7
	B		A	B	A	
8	9	10	11 Veteran's Day	12 End of 1 st Marking Period (47 days)	13 SCHOOLS OPEN FOR VIRTUAL LEARNING TEACHER WORK TIME 12:30-3:00 PM *Employee Health Fair Cancelled	14
	B	A	B	A	B	
15	16	17	18	19	20 SUPERVISOR STAFF DEV 12:30-2:00 PM	21
	A	B	A	B	A	
22	23	24	25 3-hr Early Dismissal NO AFTERNOON REQUIREMENTS FOR STAFF OR STUDENTS	26 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Thanksgiving Day	27 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED	28
	B	A	B			
29	30 SCHOOLS CLOSED					
						S= 17 T= 17 S= 56/180 T= 61/190

December 2020 (VIRTUAL/HYBRID)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 SCHOOLS REOPENS FOR VIRTUAL LEARNING <div style="text-align: right;">A</div>	2 <div style="text-align: right;">B</div>	3 Report Cards Released <div style="text-align: right;">A</div>	4 <div style="text-align: right;">B</div>	
6	7 Pearl Harbor Day <div style="text-align: right;">A</div>	8 <div style="text-align: right;">B</div>	9 <div style="text-align: right;">A</div>	10 Hanukkah <div style="text-align: right;">B</div>	11 <div style="text-align: right;">A</div>	12
13	<div style="text-align: right;">B</div>	15 <div style="text-align: right;">A</div>	16 <div style="text-align: right;">B</div>	17 <div style="text-align: right;">A</div>	18 <div style="text-align: right;">B</div>	19
20	21 <div style="text-align: right;">A</div>	22 <div style="text-align: right;">B</div>	23 3-hr Early Dismissal NO AFTERNOON REQUIREMENTS FOR STAFF OR STUDENTS <div style="text-align: right;">A</div>	24 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Christmas Eve	25 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Christmas	26 Kwanzaa
27	28 SCHOOLS CLOSED	29 SCHOOLS CLOSED	30 SCHOOLS CLOSED	31 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED New Year's Eve		S= 17 T= 17 S= 73/180 T= 78/190

January 2021 (VIRTUAL/HYBRID)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED New Year's Day	2
3	4 SCHOOLS REOPEN FOR VIRTUAL LEARNING PRINCIPAL STAFF DEV 12:30-2:00 PM B	5 A	6 B	7 A	8 B	9
10	11 A	12 B	13 A	14 B	15 TEACHER WORK TIME 12:30-3:00 PM A	16
17	18 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED MLK Jr Day* Refer to COMAR 7-103, possible snow make-up day B	19 A	20 B	21 A	22 B	23
24/31	25 B	26 A	27 B	28 A	29 SUPERVISOR STAFF DEV 12:30-2:00 PM B	30 S= 19 T= 19 S= 92/180 T= 97/190

February 2021 (VIRTUAL/HYBRID)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 End of 2 nd Marking Period - End of 1 st Semester (46 days) A	2 SCHOOLS OPEN FOR VIRTUAL LEARNING TEACHER WORK TIME 12:30-3:00 PM Groundhog Day B	3 A	4 B	5 A	6
7	8 B	9 A	10 B	11 A	12 Lincoln's Birthday B	13
14 Valentine's Day	15 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Presidents' Day* Refer to COMAR 7-103, possible snow make-up day Washington's Birthday	16 SCHOOLS OPEN FOR VIRTUAL LEARNING A	17 Report Cards Released B	18 A	19 B	20
21	22 A	23 B	24 A	25 B	26 A	27
28						S= 19 T= 19 S= 111/180 T= 116/190

March 2021 (VIRTUAL/HYBRID)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	B	A	B	A	B	
7	8	9	10 Schools Open for Virtual Learning Virtual Parent Conference ELEM & SEC.12:30 -3:00 PM	11 Schools Open for Virtual Learning Virtual Parent Conference ELEM & SEC.12:30 -3:00 PM	12	13
	A	B	A	B	A	
14 Daylight Savings Time Begins	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20
	B	A	B	A	B	
21	22 PRINCIPAL STAFF DEV 12:30-2:00 PM	23	24	25	26	27
	A	B	A	B	A	
28 Palm Sunday	29	30	31			S= 23 T= 23 S= 134/180 T= 139/190
	B	A	B			

April 2021 (VIRTUAL/HYBRID)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> Pre-K, Kindergarten, & 1st Grade Registration </div>			1 3-hr Early Dismissal NO AFTERNOON REQUIREMENTS FOR STAFF OR STUDENTS A	2 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Good Friday* Refer to COMAR 7-103, possible snow make-up day	3
4 Easter	5 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED* Refer to COMAR 7-103, possible snow make-up day	6 SCHOOLS & OFFICES REOPEN FOR VIRTUAL LEARNING B	7 A	8 End of 3 rd Marking Period (45 Days) B	9 SCHOOLS OPEN FOR VIRTUAL LEARNING TEACHER WORK TIME 12:30-3:00 PM A	10
11	12 B	13 A	14 B	15 A	16 B	17
18	19 A	20 B	21 Reality Fair A	22 Earth Day B	23 A	24
25	26 B	27 Report Cards Released A	28 B	29 A	30 B	S= 20 T= 20 S= 154/180 T= 159/190

May 2021 (VIRTUAL/HYBRID)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2 AP Testing May 3-7	3 A	4 B	5 A	6 B	7 A	8
9 AP Testing May 10-14 Mother's Day	10 B	11 A	12 School Nurse's Day B	13 A	14 B	15 Armed Forces Day
16	17 A	18 B	19 A	20 CCTE CERTIFICATION CEREMONY B	21 LAST DAY FOR SENIORS A	22
23	24 B	25 A	26 FORT HILL GRADUATION B	27 ALLEGANY GRADUATION A	28 B	29
30	31 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Memorial Day* Refer to COMAR 7-102, possible snow Make-up day					S= 20 T= 20 S= 174/180 T= 179/190

June 2021 (VIRTUAL/HYBRID)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 MOUNTAIN RIDGE GRADUATION A	2 B	3 A	4 B	5
6	7	8 STUDENTS' LAST DAY 3-hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time Close of 4 th MP (42 days) (Last student/teacher day WITHOUT the 5 days) B A	9	10 SUPERVISOR STAFF DEV 12:30-2:00 PM	11 SUPERVISOR STAFF DEV 12:30-2:00 PM	12
13	14 Flag Day	15 TEACHERS' LAST DAY 8:00-10:00 - Principal Meeting/Teacher Work Time (Last teacher day WITHOUT the 5 days)	16	17	18	19
20 Father's Day	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 Reports Cards Released			S= 6 T= 11 S=180/180 T=190/190

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