

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.

- c. The ACPS will utilize three (3) asynchronous days for inclement weather and up to (5) five synchronous days for inclement weather, as approved by the MSDE.

- (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 2023 – 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 1 st Day for Teachers AM-School Based PD/ PM-Teacher Work Time	17 AM-School Based Staff Development/ PM- Teacher Work Time	18 AM-School-Based School Improvement PM-Teacher Work Time	19
20	21 Supervisor System wide Professional Development	22 Teacher Work Time	23 SCHOOLS OPEN 3-Hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time	24	25	26
27	28	29 Pre-K-K Begins A-L	30 Pre-K-K Begins M-Z	31 Pre-K-K Begins A-L		S= 7 T= 12 S= 7/180 T= 12/190

September 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Pre-K-K Begins M-Z	2
3	4 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Labor Day	5	6 7 th Grade Outdoor School – Westmar	7	8	9
			Outdoor School – John Humbird, Northeast, Flintstone			
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
			7 th Grade Outdoor School – Washington			
			Outdoor School – Cash Valley, Bel Air, Frost		Rosh Hashanah	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
			7 th Grade Outdoor School – Braddock			
			Outdoor School – Beall & Cresaptown			
24 Yom Kippur	25 3-Hr Delayed Opening Principal Staff Development	26	27 7 th Grade Outdoor School – Mt. Savage Middle	28	29	30 S= 20 T= 20 S= 27/180 T= 32/190
			Outdoor School – George's Creek & Westernport			

October 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 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	3 <div>7th Grade Outdoor School – Mt. Savage Middle</div>	4 <div>Outdoor School – South Penn & Mt. Savage</div>	5	6	7
8	9 <div>Columbus Day</div>	10 Tri-State College Night Allegany College 6:30-8:30 p.m. <div>Outdoor School – West Side & Parkside</div>	11 <div>PSAT Testing</div>	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 <div>MSEA Convention</div>	21
22	23	24	25 <div>Reality Fair</div>	26 End of 1 st Marking Period (45 days)	27 SCHOOLS CLOSED AM-Principal Staff Development PM-Teacher Work Time	28
29	30	31 <div>Halloween</div>				S= 20 T= 22 S= 47/180 T= 54/190

November 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 SCHOOLS CLOSED AM-Supervisor Staff Development PM-Teacher Work Time	4
5 Daylight Savings Time Ends	6 Focus on the Future (Set-Up)	7 Focus on the Future (BR & MS)	8 Focus on the Future (WA & WM)	9 Report Cards Released	10	11 Veterans Day
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 3-Hr Early Dismissal	23 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Thanksgiving Day	24 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED	25
26	27 SCHOOLS CLOSED	28 SCHOOLS REOPEN 3-Hr Delayed Opening Teacher Work Time	29	30		S= 18 T= 19 S= 65/180 T= 73/190

December 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7 Hanukkah Pearl Harbor Day	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 3-Hr Early Dismissal	22 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED	23
24 Christmas Eve	25 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Christmas	26 SCHOOLS CLOSED Kwanzaa	27 SCHOOLS CLOSED	28 SCHOOLS CLOSED	29 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED	30
31 New Year's Eve						S= 15 T= 15 S= 80/180 T= 88/190

January 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED New Year's Day	2 SCHOOLS REOPEN 3-Hr Delayed Opening Principal Staff Dev. Teacher Work Time	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 End of 2 nd Marking Period - End of 1 st Semester (43 days)	12 3-Hr Early Dismissal Teacher Work Time	13
14	15 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED MLK Jr Day	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 Report Card Released	27
28	29	30	31			S= 21 T= 21 S= 101/180 T= 109/190

February 2024						
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	19 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Presidents' Day Washington's Birthday	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		S= 20 T= 20 S= 121/180 T= 129/190

March 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4 SCHOOLS CLOSED Parent Conference Day ELEM. 8-10 Teacher Plan; 10:00-12:00 & 1:00-3:30 Parent Conferences SEC. 10-12 Teacher Plan; 12:00-2:00 & 3:00-5:30 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 End of 3 rd Marking Period (46 Days)	21 3-Hr Delayed Opening Teacher Work Time	22	23
24 Palm Sunday	25	26	27 3-Hr Early Dismissal	28 SCHOOLS CLOSED	29 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Good Friday	30
31 Easter						S= 18 T= 19 S= 139/180 T= 148/190

April 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>Pre-K, Kindergarten, & 1st Grade Registration</div>	1 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED* Refer to COMAR 7-103, possible snow make-up day	2 SCHOOLS REOPEN	3	4	5 Report Cards Released	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Reality Fair	18	19	20
21	22 Earth Day	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				S= 21 T= 21 S= 160/180 T= 169/190

May 2024

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 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Primary Election Day	15	16 CCTE CERTIFICATION CEREMONY	17 LAST DAY FOR SENIORS	18 Allegany, Fort Hill, and Mountain Ridge Graduation Day – Times TBD Armed Forces Day
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Memorial Day	28	29	30 STUDENTS' LAST DAY 3-Hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time Close of 4 th MP (46 days) (Last student day WITHOUT the 5 days)	31 TEACHERS' LAST DAY 8:00-10:00 - Principal Meeting/Teacher Work Time (Last teacher day WITHOUT the 5 days)	S= 21 T= 21 S= 181/180 T= 190/190

June 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4	5	6 STUDENTS' LAST DAY 3-Hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time (Last student day WITH 5 days)	7 TEACHERS' LAST DAY 8:00-10:00 - Principal Meeting/Teacher Work Time (Last teacher day WITH 5 days)	8
9	10	11	12	13 Reports Cards Released	14 Flag Day	15
16 Father's Day	17	18	19	20	21	22
23/30	24	25	26	27	28	29 S= 4 T= 5 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)