

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

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | | 1 |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30 | 31 1 st Day for Teachers AM-School Based PD/ PM-Teacher Work Time | | | | | S= 0 T= 1 S= 0/180 T= 1/190 |

September 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | 1 Convocation AM-School Based Staff Development/ PM- Teacher Work Time | 2 Supervisor System wide Professional Development | 3 School Based School Improvement Restorative Practices Training | 4 Teacher Work Time | 5 |
| 6 | 7 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Labor Day | 8 SCHOOLS OPEN 3-hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time | 9 | 10 PRE-K AND K BEGINS | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| | | 5 th (BL/WS) Grade Outdoor School | | | Rosh Hashanah | |
| 20 | 21 Yom Kippur | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| | | 5 th (GC/MS/WT) Grade Outdoor School | | | | |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | | | S= 17 T= 21 S= 17/180 T= 22/190 |
| | | 5 th (FL/SP) Grade Outdoor School | | | | |
| | | 7 th (WM) Grade Outdoor School | | | | |

October 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|-----------|--------------|--|--------------|--|-----------------|--|
| | | | | 1 SCHOOLS CLOSED - Parent Conference Day SEC. 8-9:00 Teacher Plan; 9-12:00 & 1:00-3:30 Parent Conferences ELEM. 10-11:00 Teacher Plan; 11-2:00 & 3:00-5:30 Parent Conferences <div>5th (FL/SP) Grade Outdoor School</div> | 2 | 3 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| | | 5 th (FR/JD/PA) Grade Outdoor School | | | | |
| | | 7 th (WA) Grade Outdoor School | | | | |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| | | 5 th (CW/NE) Grade Outdoor School | | | | |
| | | 7 th (BR) Grade Outdoor School | | | | |
| | Columbus Day | | PSAT Testing | | MSEA Convention | |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| | | 5 th (BR/CA) Grade Outdoor School | | | | |
| | | 7 th (MS) Grade Outdoor School – 2 groups | | | | |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 Halloween |
| | | | Reality Fair | | | S= 21 T= 22 S= 38/180 T= 44/190 |

November 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 1 Daylight Savings Time Ends | 2 | 3 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Election Day | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 8 | 9 Focus on the Future (Set up) | 10 Focus on the Future (BR & MS) | 11 Veteran's Day | 12 End of 1 st Marking Period (46 days) Focus on the Future (WA & WM) | 13 SCHOOLS CLOSED 8:00-11:00 Principal Staff Development 12:00-2:00 Teacher Work Time 2:00-4:00 Employee Health Fair | 14 |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 3-hr Early Dismissal | 26 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Thanksgiving Day | 27 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED | 28 |
| 29 | 30 SCHOOLS CLOSED | | | | | S= 16 T= 17 S= 54/180 T= 61/190 |

December 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | 1 SCHOOLS REOPEN 3-hr Delay Principal Staff Dev. Teacher Work Time | 2 | 3 Report Cards Released | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 Pearl Harbor Day | 8 | 9 | 10 Hanukkah | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 3-hr Early Dismissal | 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= 71/180 T= 78/190 |

January 2021

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|---|---------|-----------|----------|--|--|
| | | | | | 1 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED New Year's Day | 2 |
| 3 | 4 SCHOOLS REOPEN 3-hr Delay Principal Staff Dev. Teacher Work Time | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 17 | 18 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED MLK Jr Day* Refer to COMAR 7-103, possible snow make-up day | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 24/31 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 S= 19 T= 19 S= 90/180 T= 97/190 |

February 2021

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|----------------------------------|--|---|--|-----------|-------------------------------------|--|
| | 1 End of 2 nd Marking Period - End of 1 st Semester (45 days) | 2 SCHOOLS CLOSED Supervisor Staff Development/ Teacher Work Time Groundhog Day | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 Lincoln's Birthday | 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 3-hr Delay Principal Staff Dev. Teacher Work Time | 17 Report Cards Released | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 | | | | | | S= 18 T= 19 S= 108/180 T= 116/190 |

March 2021

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|--------|---------|---|----------|--------|--|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 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 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 14 Daylight Savings Time Begins | 15 | 16 | 17 St. Patrick's Day | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 Palm Sunday | 29 | 30 | 31 | | | S= 22 T= 23 S= 130/180 T= 139/190 |

April 2021

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|-------------|--|---------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|---|--|
| | Pre-K, Kindergarten, & 1 st Grade Registration | | | 1 3-hr Early Dismissal | 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 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 End of 3 rd Marking Period (45 Days) | 13 3-hr Delay Teacher Work Time | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 Reality Fair | 22 Earth Day | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 Report Cards Released | 28 | 29 | 30 | S= 20 T= 20 S= 150/180 T= 159/190 |

May 2021

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | | 1 |
| 2 AP Testing May 3-7 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 AP Testing May 10-14 Mother's Day | 10 | 11 | 12 School Nurse's Day | 13 | 14 | 15 Armed Forces Day |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 CCTE CERTIFICATION CEREMONY | 21 LAST DAY FOR SENIORS | 22 |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 FORT HILL GRADUATION | 27 ALLEGANY GRADUATION | 28 | 29 |
| 30 | 31 SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Memorial Day* Refer to COMAR 7-102, possible snow Make-up day | | | | | S= 20 T= 20 S= 170/180 T= 179/190 |

June 2021

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|-------------------------------|--|--|---|-----------|-----------|--|
| | | 1 MOUNTAIN RIDGE GRADUATION | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 STUDENTS' LAST DAY 3-hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time Close of 4 th MP (44 days) (Last student/teacher day <u>WITHOUT</u> the 5 days) Flag Day | 15 TEACHERS' LAST DAY 8:00-10:00 - Principal Meeting/Teacher Work Time (Last teacher day <u>WITHOUT</u> the 5 days) | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 Father's Day | 21 STUDENTS' LAST DAY 3-hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time (Last student/teacher day <u>WITH</u> 5 days) | 22 TEACHERS' LAST DAY 8:00-10:00 - Principal Meeting/Teacher Work Time (Last teacher day <u>WITH</u> 5 days) | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 Reports Cards Released | | | S= 15 T= 16 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)