



2020-2021 Proposed School Calendar

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Calendar Committee - Representation

- **Collective Bargaining Units** – TABCO, AFSCME, CASE, OPE, ESPBC
- **Superintendent’s Staff Designees** – Principals and offices of Community Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction, Organizational Development, Business Services, Student Data, Student Support Services, Communications and Community Outreach, and the Department of Research, Accountability, and Assessment
- **Invited Stakeholders*** – PTA Council, PTA representative, Citizen’s Advisory Committee for Gifted and Talented Education representative, Area Education Advisory Council Chair, Area Education Advisory Council representatives (NE, SE, CN, NW), Special Education Advisory Committee representative, Career and Technology Education Advisory Council representative, and Community representative

* Calendar was shared with Baltimore County Student Council (BCSC)



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State Guidelines

- **Start Date** – Determined by Local School Board
- **End Date** – Determined by Local School Board
- **Student Days** - Minimum 180 Days*
- **Student Hours** – Minimum 1,080 hours for elementary and middle schools and 1,170 hours for high schools
- **Emergency Closure Days** - Minimum of 3 days built into calendar **

** *State Board of Education expectation pursuant to COMAR 13.A.02.01.04*





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Considerations Impacting 2020-2021 Calendar

- **Labor Day** – September 7, 2020
 - Pre-Labor Day Start – SY runs from 8/31 to 6/18
 - Post-Labor Day Start – SY runs from 9/8 to 6/24
- **Student Day** – 6.5 hours
 - **BCPS** school year built on 181/182 student days



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Building the Calendar

Available Weekdays between August 31, 2020, and June 18, 2021

Month	Available Weekdays
August (8/31)	1
September	22
October	22
November	21
December	23
January	21
February	20
March	23
April	22
May	21
June (6/1–6/18)	14
Totals	210



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Building the Calendar Closures for Students

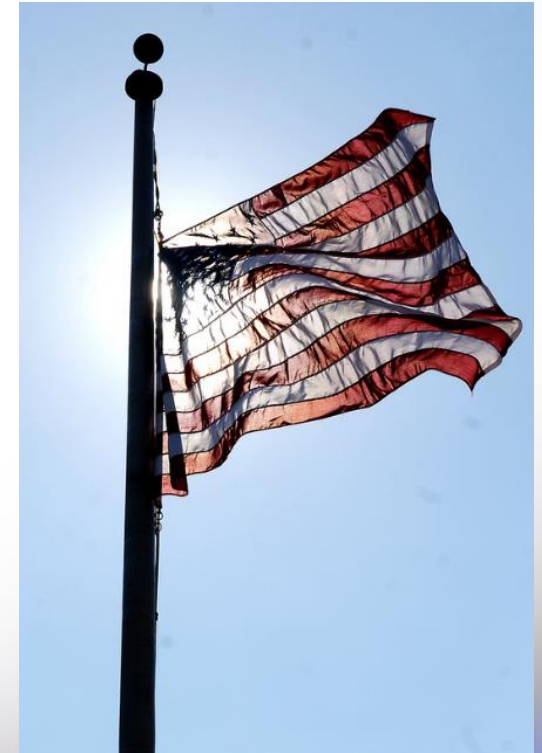
• **BCPS Directed Closures – 7 days**

- Yom Kippur (PD for teachers; schools closed for students)
- MSEA Conference Day
- Monday, March 29, 2021, through Thursday, April 1, 2021 (in conjunction with Friday before Easter and Easter Monday)
- Eid-Al-Fitr (PD for teachers; schools closed for students)

• **Public School Holidays – 16 days**

- Labor Day
- Election Day
- Thanksgiving and the day after
- Christmas Eve through January 1
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Presidents' Day
- Friday before Easter through Monday after Easter
- Memorial Day

• **Total BCPS Closures for Students – 23 days**





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Building the Calendar

2020 - 2021				
Month	Available Weekdays	Public School Holidays & BCPS Closures	Reason for Closures	Student Days Per Month
August (8/31)	1	0		1
September	22	2	Labor Day & Yom Kippur	20
October	22	1	MSEA Convention	21
November	21	3	Election Day, Thanksgiving & day after	18
December	23	6	Winter Break - 12/24-12/25 & 12/28-12/31	17
January	21	2	New Year's Day & MLK	19
February	20	1	Presidents' Day	19
March	23	3	Spring Break - 3/29-3/31	20
April	22	3	Spring Break - 4/1-4/2, & 4-5	19
May	21	2	Eid-Al-Fitr & Memorial Day	19
June (6/1-6/18)	14	0	Last Day for Students - June 18	14
TOTALS	210	23		187



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Systemwide Emergency Closure Make-Up Dates

- **Should no emergency closures occur, last day for students and teachers will be Friday, June 11, 2021.**
- **Should emergency closures occur, the makeup days will be as follows:**
 - Emergency Closure # 1 Makeup Day will be Monday, June 14, 2021
 - Emergency Closure #2 Makeup Day will be Tuesday, June 15, 2021
 - Emergency Closure #3 Makeup Day will be Wednesday, June 16, 2021
 - Emergency Closure #4 Makeup Day will be Thursday, June 17, 2021
 - Emergency Closure #5 Makeup Day will be Friday, June 18, 2021



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SY 2020-2021 Calendar - Summary

- August 31, 2020, to June 18, 2021
- 182 student days
- 190 teacher days
- 5 emergency closure days
- 1,180 student hours – high and middle schools
- 1,161.5 student hours – elementary schools



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Calendar Approval Timeline

- September 24, 2019 – Presentation of the Proposed Calendar to the Board
- October 8, 2019 – Public Comment on the Proposed Calendar
- November 5, 2019 – Board Votes on the Proposed Calendar



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Questions?

