

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA ITEM:**March 2020**

**CONSIDERATION OF SCHOOL CALENDARS FOR STATE BOARD-OPERATED
PROGRAMS FOR THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR**

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

Section 162.685, RSMo

Consent
ItemAction
ItemReport
Item**PRIORITY AREA**

Success-Ready Students & Workforce Development

SUMMARY

The State Board of Education annually approves the school calendars for the School for the Blind, School for the Deaf, and Schools for the Severely Disabled. The calendars for each program are provided. The calendars provide for 174 days of student attendance. The calendars provide a total school term of 209 days. Since the 1998-99 school year, the State Board has approved the three school systems to begin before Labor Day.

The three school systems desire to continue this practice for the following reasons:

1. The schools operate on a 209-day schedule for instruction, workshops, and school holidays. Beginning school after Labor Day would not allow the school term to end until the middle of June.
2. Several staff enroll in summer courses to meet certification deficiencies. Ending the school term in the middle of June limits their options to attend eight-week summer school terms at several universities.
3. Beginning before Labor Day better aligns our schools with other schools in the geographic area and avoids confusion for parents and staff having children attending those school districts.
4. The School for the Blind and School for the Deaf participate in co-curricular activities with other residential schools. An earlier start to the year more closely approximates the schedules of the other residential schools.
5. Students in School for the Blind and School for the Deaf participate in classes offered by area public schools and community colleges. Coordinating school calendars with area schools simplifies the enrollment and participation of our students.

The state board-operated schools will not be in session for the Labor Day weekend.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department recommends approval of the school calendars for the state board-operated programs, as presented. The Department also recommends the Assistant Commissioner, Office of Special Education, be authorized to approve adjustments to the calendars caused by weather or other conditions.

2020-2021 School Calendar
Missouri School for the Blind

**Pending State Board Approval*

MONTH	SCHOOL DAYS	WORKSHOP DAYS	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	TOTAL DAYS
<i>First Day of School: August 24, 2020</i>				
August	6	4	0	10
		August 18,19,20,21		
September	21	0	1	22
			September 7	
October	21	0	1	22
			October 12	
November	15	3	3	21
		November 23,24,25	November 13,26,27	
December	14	3	6	23
		December 21,22,23	December 24,25, 28,29,30,31	
January	19	0	2	21
			January 1,18	
February	18	0	2	20
			February 12,15	
March	23	0	0	23
April	17	0	5	22
			April 5,6,7,8,9	
May	19	0	2	21
			May 10,31	
June	4	0	0	4
TOTALS:	177	10	22	209

ESY 2021 Summer Schedule/ Work Days for Staff Employed 229 Days

<i>First Day of ESY Classes: July 6, 2021</i>				
July	19	1	0	20
		July 2		229

PLEASE NOTE: *The days of student attendance may be reduced (177 to 174 days of attendance) due to inclement weather. The last school day may be adjusted to make up days missed because of inclement weather.*

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Aug. 17	New Employee Orientation Day
Aug. 18-21	Teacher/Staff Workshop Days
Aug. 24	First Day of School
Sept. 7	Labor Day Holiday
Oct. 12	Columbus Day Holiday
Nov. 13	Veteran's Day Holiday (Observed)
Nov. 23-25	Teacher/Staff Workshop Days
Nov. 23-27	Thanksgiving Break for Students
Nov. 26-27	Thanksgiving Break for Staff
Dec. 18	Students dismissed at 1:00 p.m. for Winter Break
Dec. 21-23	Teacher/Staff Workshop Days
Dec. 21-Jan. 1	Winter Break for Students
Dec. 24-Jan. 1	Winter Break for Staff
Jan. 4	Classes Resume
Jan. 18	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
Feb. 12	Lincoln's Birthday Holiday (Observed)
Feb. 15	President's Day Holiday
April 5-9	Spring Break
May 10	Truman Day Holiday (Observed)
May 31	Memorial Day Holiday
June 3	Commencement
June 4	Last Day of School. Students dismissed at 1:00 p.m.
July 2	Staff employed 229 days will return for required ESY preparation day
July 5	Independence Day Holiday (Observed)
July 6	First day of ESY Program
July 30	Last day of ESY for students & staff employed 229 days

MISSOURI SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

12-21 Staff PD Days
24 First Day of School
7 Labor Day - No School
18-20 Fall Homecoming – Stay Weekend
12 Columbus Day – School in Session
11 Veterans Day
20-22 Stay Weekend
25-27 Fall Recess – No School
21-31 Winter Break – No School
21-22 Staff PD Days

AUGUST 2020						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
						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					

JANUARY 2021						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					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 New Year's Day – No School
18 MLK Jr. Day – No School
22-24 Winter Homecoming - Stay Weekend
4-5 Staff PD Days
12 Lincoln Birthday – No School
15 President's Day – No School
29-31 Spring Break
1-2 Spring Break (cont.)
7 Truman Day (observed) – No School; Staff PD Day
27 Last Day of School; End of 4 th Quarter; Graduation
28 Staff PD Day
31 Memorial Day

SEPTEMBER 2020						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		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			

FEBRUARY 2021						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	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						

OCTOBER 2020						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				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

MARCH 2021						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	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			

NOVEMBER 2020						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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					

APRIL 2021						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				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	

DECEMBER 2020						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		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		

MAY 2021						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
						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					

- First/Last Day of School
- Homegoing Weekend – Dismissed at 1 p.m.
- Stay Weekend
- Staff Professional Development (PD) – No School
- Staff Forced Off Day
- No School

ESY 2021 Summer Calendar

JUNE 2021						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		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			

7 First Day of ESY
25 Last Day of ESY

2020-2021 School Calendar
Missouri Schools for the Severely Disabled
School Session Days

August 24	<i>First Day of School</i>
September 7	Labor Day Holiday
October 19	Required Professional Development
October 23	End of First Quarter (<i>Report of Progress-Parent/Teacher Conferences**</i>)
November 9	Required Professional Development
November 25-27	Thanksgiving Break
December 24- January 1	Winter Break (Dec. 23 last day school is in session prior to winter break)
January 4	Classes Resume
January 7	End of Second Quarter (<i>Report of Progress to Parent</i>)
January 18	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Holiday
January 19	Required Professional Development
February 12	Lincoln's Birthday Holiday
February 15	Washington's Birthday Holiday
March 12	Required Professional Development
March 17	End of Third Quarter (<i>Report of Progress-Parent/Teacher Conferences**</i>)
March 31-April 2	Spring Break (all days protected Spring Break)
April 5	Classes Resume
May 7	Truman's Birthday Holiday
May 24*	<i>Last Day of School</i>
May 25	Fourth Quarter (<i>Report of Progress to Parent</i>)

Dates designated in bold are student non-attendance days.

***Procedure to Make-Up Missed Student Attendance Days**

The last day of school will be adjusted as necessary to make up for missed school days due to inclement weather or other factors.

Make-up days will begin with May 25, 2021 and continue on consecutive weekdays, as needed
 (Excluding Memorial Day, May 31st)

****Parent/Teacher Conferences**

November 2 – 6	Conferences held before and after school
March 22 - 26	Conferences held before and after school

**2020-2021 School Calendar
Missouri Schools for the Severely Disabled**

Building Administrators' Meetings

August 11 & 12	Building Administrators' Meeting in Jefferson City
October 27 & 28	Building Administrators' Meeting in Jefferson City
March 16 & 17	Building Administrators' Meeting in Jefferson City

Staff Working Days Preceding School Opening Day

July 6 to July 24, 2020	Building Administrators, Teachers In Charge, Home School Coordinators, Teachers, PE Teachers, Registered Nurses, Speech Language Pathologists, Custodial Workers, Bus Drivers, Bus Attendants, Cooks, and School Secretaries on duty for Extended School Year.
July 6 to July 24, 2020	Teacher Aides, and Dual Position Teacher Aides are hourly as approved for Extended School Year.
August 3	Building Administrators, Home School Coordinators and other staff employed for 235 days begin duty for RSY.
August 7	Teachers in Charge of 1-2 Classroom Schools and other staff employed for 229 days begin duty for RSY.
August 17, 18, 19, 20, & 21	Required Preparation Days for Teachers, Registered Nurses & other staff employed 219 days and for Teacher Aide and dual position Teacher Aide Positions employed 206 days
August 18, 19, 20, & 21	Required Preparation Days for staff employed 217 days

Staff Working Days Following Closing Date for Schools

May 25***	Last Working Day for staff employed 217 days (one annual leave day May 26)
May 26***	Last Working Day for all staff employed 206 days (two annual leave days May 27, May 28) Last working day for all staff employed 219 days (one annual leave day May 27)
June 2 ***	Last Working Day for Teachers In Charge, Secretaries and Custodians employed for 229 days
June 4***	Last Working Day for Building Administrators, Home School Coordinators, Secretaries and Custodians employed for 235 days

***Last work day is subject to change. This may occur due to inclement weather or other factors causing school to be cancelled.

Staff will follow Department Hazardous Weather Policy 600-620 when inclement weather develops on designated required staff development days.

**2020-2021 Administrative Calendar for Extended School Year
July 12, 2021 through July 30, 2021**