



SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 23
(CENTRAL OKANAGAN)

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"Together We Learn"

January 13, 2017

Dear Parents:

The Ministry of Education passed Bill 36, the School Amendment Act, which eliminated the Standard School Calendar (overview attached). As a result, school districts are now required to establish their own school calendars. The calendar committee is comprised of representatives of the partner groups in the Central Okanagan School District including the Central Okanagan Teachers' Association (COTA), Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE Local 3523), Central Okanagan Principal and Vice Principals' Association (COPVPA), and the Central Okanagan Parent Advisory Council (COPAC). This committee has met to draft a proposed school calendar (attached), which meets the requirements of Bill 36.

Section 87.01 (7) of the School act requires consultation on school calendars. A board must make public a proposed school calendar one month before submitting it to the Ministry. We are inviting parents to review the proposed calendar for the 2017-2018 school year and to provide their input to the proposal before it is discussed by our Board of Education at a public meeting prior to Wednesday, February 22, 2017.

I invite you to provide your input about this proposal by Friday, February 10, 2017. If you have questions about this proposal, please feel free to contact us via:

- email calendarsurvey@sd23.bc.ca
 - your school Principal
 - or call Bob McEwen
- Chair – School District No. 23 School Calendar Committee
Phone (250) 860-8888 or Fax (250) 870-5088

In addition to parent input, all partner groups have been asked to provide their opinion of this proposal.

We anticipate that the finalized 2017/2018 school calendar (once approved) will be provided to parents early this spring. A copy will be provided directly to you through your child's school.

Thank you for your time in reviewing this proposal.

Yours truly,

Bob McEwen
Director of Human Resources

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CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2017-2018 School Calendar

DESIGNATION	SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 23 Local Calendar 2017/2018
Days in session	192 (3 summer Pro Days Tuesday, Aug. 29 – Thursday, August 31)
Number of days of instruction	184
Number of non-instructional days	8
Schools open	Tuesday, September 5
Administrative Implementation Day (revised curriculum)	Friday, October 6
Thanksgiving Day (schools closed)	Monday, October 9
Teacher Professional Day	Friday, October 20
Non-Instructional Day for revised curriculum	Friday, November 3
Remembrance Day (schools closed)	Monday, November 13
Schools close for Winter vacation	Friday, December 22
Winter vacation period (schools closed)	Monday, December 25 – Friday, January 5
Statutory holiday (schools closed)	Monday, January 1
Schools reopen after Winter vacation	Monday, January 8
Family Day	Monday, February 12
Teacher Professional Day (Support Staff In-Service Day)	Friday, February 23
Schools close for Spring vacation	Friday, March 16
Spring vacation period (schools closed)	Monday, March 19 – Monday, April 2
Good Friday (schools closed)	Friday, March 30
Easter Monday (schools closed)	Monday, April 2
Schools reopen after Spring vacation	Tuesday, April 3
Victoria Day (schools closed)	Monday, May 21
Administrative Day (students do not attend)	Friday, June 29
Schools close	Friday, June 29

The Calendar for 2017-2018 complies with Bill 36 - School Amendment Act (School Calendar Regulation).

The hours of instruction will be:

- Kindergarten 874 hours (based on 285 minutes x 184 days)
- Grade 1-6 874 hours (based on 285 minutes x 184 days)
- Grades 7-12 947 hours (based on 309 minutes x 184 days)

Provides the:

- Number and dates of the days in session
- The number and dates of each day of instruction
- Vacation Periods and the Statutory Holidays
- The dates of each Non-Instructional Day
- The number of hours of instruction offered students in each grade group

SCHOOL CALENDAR FORM - GENERAL

2017/2018 CALENDAR

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■ Instructional
 ■ Non-Instructional
 ■ Vacation Period
 ■ Statutory Holiday



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