

2007 – 2008 Calendar Information

Exactly what did the Texas Legislature change regarding the start of the school year?

The Legislature changed Texas Education Code 25.0811 to read that public school districts cannot begin school before the fourth Monday in August. With this change, August 27 is the earliest day districts can begin instructing students.

How many days must children attend school?

Texas currently requires that the public school year contain 180 days for students; however, districts may obtain waivers for up to five fewer student attendance days for professional development purposes.

The 2007-2008 school calendar for LISD includes 179 days for students.

How many days are typically included in the calendar for classroom teachers?

Classroom teachers are employed for 187 days.

Does the district provide bad weather days?

The district must provide a bad weather day late in the second semester. If the day is not used for bad weather, then they become district holidays. In the 2007-2008 calendar, the bad weather day is May 26.

It is important that families and staff not count on this day as a holiday because there is always a possibility that bad weather or an emergency situation earlier in the school year could cause the district to use this day as a regular school day.

What is the student holiday schedule in the proposed calendar?

- September 3
- October 8
- November 21 - 23
- December 24 – January 2
- March 17 – 21

What makes this calendar good for instructional purposes?

One of the main concerns from instructional staff and parents was making sure we finished the first semester before the holidays in December and that we end school in May. With this calendar, students will complete the first semester on December 21 and the last day for students will be May 29. In addition to this, even with starting August 27 and ending May 29, our students will still receive 179 instruction days for the year.

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20 student days
21 teacher days

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21 student days
21 teacher days

5 student days
10 teacher days

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16 student days
16 teacher days

19 student days
19 teacher days


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22 student days
22 teacher days

22 student days
23 teacher days

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20 student days
21 teacher days

19 student days
19 teacher days

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15 student days
15 teacher days

- Key:**
- DH District Holiday
 - SD Staff Development/Student Holiday
 - WD Teacher Work Day
 -  Bad Weather Day
 - T Proposed MAJOR State Testing

- Grading Periods**
- Aug. 27 - Oct. 3: 27 days
 - Oct. 4 - Nov. 9: 26 days
 - Nov. 12 - Dec. 21: 27 days
 - Jan. 3 - Feb. 15: 31 days
 - Feb. 18 - Apr. 9: 33 days
 - Apr. 10 - May 29: 35 days

1st Semester: August 27 - December 21
Second Semester: January 3 - May 29