

# SOUTH WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOLS SCHOOL BOARD

7362 East Point Douglas Rd S. Cottage Grove, MN 55016

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

DATE: December 27, 2021

**TOPIC:** #5.3 - First Reading of Proposed 2022-23 District Calendar

**PRESENTER:** Julie Nielsen, Superintendent

**REFERENCE TO POLICY/STATUTE:** MN Statutes 120A.40-41

#### A. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- a. To review the proposed district calendar which was drafted by the steering committee.
- b. The steering committee met several times to review feedback from families, staff, and students regarding the 2022-23 calendar.
- c. The steering committee included Executive Cabinet Members and representation from professional development, United Teachers of SoWashCo, student information and leadership from the office professionals' group.
- d. The steering committee consulted and sought feedback from union leadership, school leaders (principals and supervisors), instructional directors, operational directors, athletics and activity directors, and our district ambassador committee.

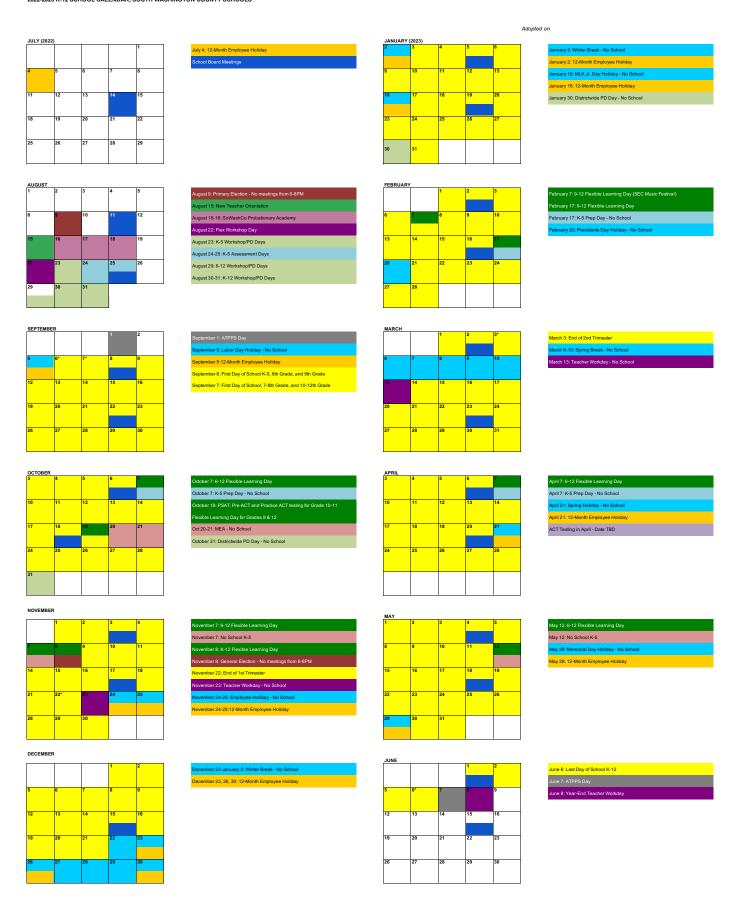
### **B. CALENDAR CONSIDERATIONS**

- a. All schools must end the school year by June 30, 2022.
- b. The calendar is required to include 165 days of instruction for students in grades 111, with a minimal number of annual instructional hours for students.
- c. The current teacher contract requires 183 duty days.
- d. Previously, we approved calendars for two years and have needed to adjust. Moving forward, the goal is to approve the calendar by no later than March 1 for the upcoming school year.

## C. RECOMMENDATION

- a. The Board will have a discussion and provide administration with input.
- b. The calendar will return on January 20, 2022, for approval.





August 22-24: K-12 Workshop Days

A minimum of 4 hours of the 22.5 hours scheduled as Worshop Days will be teacher directed for room preparations, lesson preparation, open house/curriculum night preparation, etc.

August 29: Flex Workshop Day

This day is teacher-directed. Teachers do not need to report to their site on this day, as it is a flexible work day.

Flexible Learning Days

Instruction will be delivered virtually, with teachers and students connecting synchronously and asynchronously - Schedules for Flex Learning Days will be established for all levels to provide consistency.

K-5 Prep Day - No School

K-5 Prep Days are a time for staff to prepare for conferences and continue Standards Based Instruction implementation.

This time will be spent at individual sites (except for specialists and birth-preschool who can meet in their specialized PLCs district-wide) to work with PLCs and small team discussions. Each day will be planned in conjunction with the principal and teacher leaders

A minimum of 2.5 hours will be used for individual work time as it relates to Standards Based Instruction and progress reporting.

Teacher Workday - No Schor

These days are teacher-directed in order to complete grading and preparations for the next trimester. Teachers do not need to report to their site on a Teacher Workday. They are considered to be flexible work days

#### 183 Total Contract Days

Elem teachers are at 168 Instructional Days including:

2 Assessment Days (8/25-26 which count as contact days)

2 Flexible Learning Days (11/8, 1/13)

15 Non-Instructional Duty Days

3 in-person workshop/PD days (8/22-24)

1 flexible workshop day (8/29)

2 PD days (10/31, 1/30)

3 K-5 prep days (10/7, 2/17, 4/7)

3 End of trimester workdays (11/23, 3/13, 6/6)

3 Conference days (TBD)

#### 183 Total Contract Days

Secondary teachers are at 171 Instructional Days including:

9 Flexible Learning Days (10/7, 10/19 [PSAT and ACT], 11/7, 11/8, 1/13, 2/7 [SEC Music Fest], 2/17, 4/7, 5/12)

6th and 9th grade students have 171 Instructional Days

7-8, 10-11 grade students have 170 Instructional Days

12 grade students have 168 Instructional Days (1,038.8 Hours)

12 Non-Instructional Duty Days

3 in-person workshop/PD days (8/22-24)

1 flexible workshop day (8/29

2 PD days (10/31, 1/30)

3 End of trimester workdays (11/23, 3/13, 6/6)

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