



January 24, 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians and School Community:

The Ministry of Education passed Bill 36, the School Amendment Act, which eliminated the Standard School Calendar. 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 Public Schools including the Central Okanagan Teachers' Association (C.O.T.A.), Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 3523 (C.U.P.E.), Central Okanagan Principals 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 the community to review a two-year proposed calendar for the 2022/2023 and 2023/2024 school years and to provide input to the proposal before it is discussed by our Board of Education at a public meeting.

I invite you to provide your input about this proposal by Friday, February 18, 2022 by completing a very brief survey at the link below:

<https://ca.research.net/r/2022-2023and2023-2024SchoolCalendarSurvey>

We anticipate that the finalized 2022/2023 and 2023/2024 school calendar (once approved by the Board of Education) will be provided to parents early this spring. Copies will be provided directly to you through your child's school.

Thank you for your time in reviewing this proposal. Yours truly,

Yours truly,

Bob McEwen
Executive Director of Human Resources

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Attachments

CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2022-2023 School Calendar

DESIGNATION	SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 23 Local Calendar 2022/2023
Days in session	189 (3 summer Pro Days August 29, 30, 31)
Number of days of instruction	182
Number of non-instructional days	7
Schools open	Tuesday, September 6
National Day of Truth and Reconciliation (schools closed)	Friday, September 30
Administrative Implementation Day	Friday, October 7
Thanksgiving Day (schools closed)	Monday, October 10
Teacher Professional Day	Friday, October 21
Remembrance Day (schools closed)	Friday, November 11
Winter vacation period (schools closed)	December 19 – December 30
In lieu of New Year's Day January 1 (schools closed)	Monday, January 2
Schools reopen after Winter vacation	Tuesday, January 3
Teacher Professional Day (Support Staff In-Service Day)	Friday, February 17
Family Day	Monday, February 20
Spring vacation period (schools closed)	March 20 – March 31
Schools reopen after Spring vacation	Monday, April 3
Good Friday (schools closed)	Friday, April 7
Easter Monday (schools closed)	Monday, April 10
Victoria Day (schools closed)	Monday, May 22
Administrative Day (students do not attend)	Wednesday, June 30

The Calendar for 2022-2023 complies with Bill 36 - School Amendment Act (School Calendar Regulation).

The minimum hours of instruction are:

- Kindergarten 853 hours (based on 290 minutes X 182)
- Grade 1-6 878 hours (based on 290 minutes X 182)
- Grades 7-12 952 hours (based on 314 minutes X 182)

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

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Ministry of Education

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Number of days of instruction	183
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In lieu of National Day of Truth and Reconciliation September 30 (schools closed)	Friday, September 29
Administrative Implementation Day	Friday, October 6
Thanksgiving Day (schools closed)	Monday, October 9
Teacher Professional Day	Friday, October 20
In lieu of Remembrance Day November 11 (schools closed)	Monday, November 13
Winter vacation period (schools closed)	December 18 – December 29
Statutory holiday (schools closed)	Monday, January 1
Schools reopen after Winter vacation	Tuesday, January 2
Teacher Professional Day (Support Staff In-Service Day)	Friday, February 16
Family Day	Monday, February 19
Spring vacation period (schools closed)	March 18 – March 28
Good Friday (schools closed)	Friday, March 29
Easter Monday (schools closed)	Monday, April 1
Schools reopen after Spring vacation	Tuesday, April 2
Victoria Day (schools closed)	Monday, May 20
Administrative Day (students do not attend)	Friday, June 28

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