



SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 23
(CENTRAL OKANAGAN)

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"Together We Learn"

January 5, 2016

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 2016-2017 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 February 24, 2016.

I invite you to provide your input about this proposal by Friday, February 12, 2016. If you have questions about this proposal, please feel free to contact us via:

- email calendarsurvey@sd23.bc.ca
- your school Principal
- or call John Simonson 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 2016/2017 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,

John Simonson
Director of Instruction - Human Resources

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2016-2017 School Calendar

DESIGNATION	SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 23 Local Calendar 2016/2017
Days in session	190 (3 summer Pro Days Aug. 30– Sept. 1)
Number of days of instruction	182
Number of non-instructional days	8
Schools open	September 6
Administrative Implementation Day (revised curriculum)	October 7
Thanksgiving Day (schools closed)	October 10
Teacher Professional Day	October 21
Remembrance Day (schools closed)	November 11
Schools close for Winter vacation	Friday, December 16
Winter vacation period (schools closed)	December 19 - December 30
Statutory holiday (schools closed)	Monday, January 2
Schools reopen after Winter vacation	Tuesday, January 3
Family Day	February 13
Teacher Professional Day (Support Staff In-Service Day)	February 24
Schools close for Spring vacation	Friday, March 17
Spring vacation period (schools closed)	March 20 - March 31
Schools reopen after Spring vacation	Monday, April 3
Good Friday (schools closed)	April 14
Easter Monday (schools closed)	April 17
Non-Instructional Day for revised curriculum	May 19
Victoria Day (schools closed)	May 22
Administrative Day (students do not attend)	Friday, June 30
Schools close	Friday, June 30

The Calendar for 2016-2017 complies with Bill 36 - School Amendment Act (School Calendar Regulation).

The minimum hours of instruction will be:

- Kindergarten 848 hours
- Grades 1-6 873 hours
- Grades 7-12 947 hours

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

For All School Types Except Distributed Learning Schools

2016/2017 CALENDAR

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