

**ORANGE COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

Meeting Date: June 9, 2014

**AGENDA
ITEM No.** 14-06-10

ACTION: (Y/N) Y

SUBJECT: School Calendars Review – 2014-2015

INFO. CONTACT: Dr. Amanda Hartness **PHONE:** 919-732-8126

- ATTACHMENTS:**
1. Calendar notes from Calendar Committee
 2. Proposed 2014-2015 Traditional Student Calendar
 3. Proposed 2014-2015 Traditional Staff Calendar
 4. Proposed 2014-2015 Year-Round Student Calendar
 5. Proposed 2014-2015 Year-Round Staff Calendar

PURPOSE: To provide the Board of Education an update on the 2014-2015 school year traditional and year-round calendars. To share with the Board possible solutions to meet minimum instructional hours of 1,025 at the elementary level.

BACKGROUND: General Statute 115C-84.2 (School Calendar) requires each local Board of Education to adopt a school calendar consisting of 215 days for staff contracts and 185 instructional days or 1025 instructional hours all of which should fall within the fiscal year.

To comply with G.S. 115C-84.2, a district calendar committee comprised of representatives from each school met to develop and present to the Board of Education for their review and approval a proposed calendar for both traditional and year-round schedules.

Process and Timeline for the 2014-2015 Calendar Adoption

1. October 16, 2013: District Calendar Committee met to review proposed drafts of calendar.
2. October 30, 2013: School level Calendar Committee representatives presented draft calendars for review and feedback to staff at each school.
3. November 12, 2013: Presented proposed traditional and year-round calendars to the Orange County Board of Education for their review and approval.
4. May 7th, 2014: Calendar Committee met to review the instructional hours and weather plan
5. May 14th, 2014: Principals gave feedback on the calendar committee's recommended solutions.

CURRENT STATUS: The calendar committee was asked to revisit the 2014-2015 calendars to ensure that all schools were meeting the 1025 instructional hour requirement and to revisit the makeup time plans. In reviewing these calendars, it was found that our elementary schools do not meet the 1025 required hours of instruction. When looking at surrounding districts, the Orange County elementary day is 15-20 minutes shorter. Elementary schools start the day with 32 less minutes than middle or 30 less than high schools. With the current calculations which do not count recess or lunch as instructional time, the elementary schools are 49 hours short. The calendar committee, with input from elementary principals discussed the following options:

- A- Add additional days to the calendar- (least favored by the calendar committee)
- B- Extend the elementary day by 15 minutes- brings time to 1,026 hours
- C- Count 30 minutes of recess as instructional time- brings time to 1,065 (40 hours extra)
- D- Combine options C and B- would give greater flexibility in the future or in event of inclement weather in the future
- E- Combine options A and B (adding 3 days to the calendar) (June 12 last day for students)
 - a. Elementary Time Would be at 1,037 hours (12 hours extra)
 - b. Middle Time Would be at 1,089 hours (64 hours extra)
 - c. High Time Would be at 1,083 hours (58 hours extra)

FINANCIAL IMPACT: The addition of 3 days in the calendar will add \$45,000 in transportation fees for the 2014-2015 school year.

RECOMMENDATION: The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education hear proposed solutions to the 2014-2015 calendar. The Superintendent's recommendation is for the board to approve option E for the 2014-2015 school year.

Calendar Notes 2014-2015

CALENDAR REQUIREMENTS:

- 215 days
- 185 days of instruction or if less, must be 1,025 hours of instruction
- Opening date- no earlier than closest Monday to August 26th or closing date no later than Friday closest to June 11th
- Must include 10 or 11 days for holidays
- Must include 10 annual leave vacation days
- 9 workdays if 185 days, and 14 if has 180 days
- 2 workdays must be allowed for teachers to use accumulated annual vacation leave
- 14 days notice to designate a workday as mandatory
- Must have a plan for making up days for students and staff for 180 days and missed time

Bell Schedule and Instructional Time

Elementary:

- Start- 7:55 End- 2:20
- Total Instructional Time- 6 hours and 25 minutes or 385 minutes
- Pull Outs- Typically 25 for lunch and 30 for recess= 55 minutes
- Elem Total Instructional Minutes- 330 Total Instructional Hours: 976.25 (48.75 short)
- Elementary is starting 32 minutes less than middle and 30 less than high
- How are other districts getting the time at elementary?
 - Alamance - 7:50 - 2:35
 - Chapel Hill - 7:50 - 2:30
 - Chatham - 8:00 - 2:45
 - Wake- 9:15 - 3:45

Middle:

- Start- 8:20 End-3:20
- Total Instructional Time- 7 hours or 420 minutes before pull outs
- Pull Outs-Typically 30 for lunch, 10 for homeroom, and 18 for class changes= 58 minutes
- Total Minutes per day= 362 Total Instructional Hours: 1070.92 (45.92 extra)

High:

- Start- 8:45 End- 3:45
- Total Instructional Time- 4 blocks of 90 minutes= 360
- No pull out time needed as blocks are all instructional
- Total Instructional Hours- 1064 (40 hours extra)

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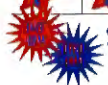
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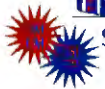
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