

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY

PROPOSED 2022-2023 HCPS CALENDAR

September 27, 2021

Background Information:

Each year, the Board of Education of Harford County appoints a Calendar Committee to make recommendations for the “out year” Harford County Public Schools calendar. The 35-person committee – composed of representatives from the community and the school system – is charged with recommending a proposed calendar for the upcoming school year. The committee meets and attempts to reach consensus on the proposed “out year” calendar during the month of August. The proposal is forwarded to the Superintendent who reviews it and makes a recommendation to the Board to adopt the calendar as proposed by the committee or with suggested changes. The Board receives the Superintendent’s proposal at a public business meeting, holds the proposal over for at least 60 days to allow for public comment (the proposed calendar is placed on the HCPS website) which the calendar committee utilizes to present the calendar as proposed or with suggested changes, and then the Board votes to adopt a calendar for the “out year” at a subsequent meeting.

Discussion:

This year, the membership of the 2022-23 Calendar Committee (roster attached) was approved by the Board of Education at its August meeting. The committee met virtually on August 25, 2021 and reached consensus on two proposals for the Superintendent’s review. There is a proposed calendar with an August 29, 2022 start date and a proposed calendar with a September 6, 2022 start date. A survey has been created to share with the public to track public comment and suggested changes. The survey can be viewed at the following link: https://harfordcps.surveytrackersurveys.com/hcps2022_2023calendar1.htm?path=/ We will gather responses during the 60 days of public comment and review with the Calendar Committee in early December, prior to the final proposed calendar presentation to be held at the December 20, 2021 Board of Education meeting

The final 180-day student/190-day teacher calendar must contain the following features:

1. 180 student days
2. 190 teacher days
3. Negotiated agreement holidays (required systemwide closures)
 - a. Labor Day
 - b. Primary and General Election Days
 - c. Thanksgiving Day and Thanksgiving Friday
 - d. Christmas Eve and Christmas Day
 - e. New Year’s Day
 - f. Martin Luther King, Jr.’s Birthday
 - g. President’s Day
 - h. Good Friday
 - i. Memorial Day
4. Board observed holidays
 - a. Rosh Hashanah
 - b. Yom Kippur
 - c. MSEA Convention Day
 - d. Veteran’s Day
 - e. Easter Monday

5. 10 Professional Development days. 2 additional days for new hires (for a total of 12 Professional Development days)
6. 8-10 Early dismissals that afford time for professional development (not an early dismissal for schools and offices)

Superintendent's Recommendation:

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the proposed 2022-2023 school calendars for consideration as presented by the Calendar Committee.

Harford County Public Schools
2022-2023 Calendar Committee Members

Board Liaison

Carol Mueller, *Vice President, Board of Education*

David Bauer, *Elected Board Member*

Ariane Kelly, *Appointed Board Member*

Harford County Regional Association of Student Councils

Kanae Holcomb, *Student Member, Board of Education*

Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

Ben Richardson

Assistant Superintendent for Operations

Cornell Brown

Executive Director of Elementary School Instruction and Performance

Renee Villareal

Director of Secondary School Instruction and Performance

Colin Carr

Executive Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

Susan Brown

Supervisor of Accountability

Phillip Snyder

Manager of Equity & Cultural Proficiency

Paula Stanton

Director of Organizational Development and Continuous Learning

Jacqueline Tarbert

Heather Kutcher, *Supervisor of Teacher Preparation and Professional Development*

HCPS Teacher of the Year

Lauren Byrd, *Hickory Elementary School*

Elementary School Principals

Blaine Hawley, *Red Pump Elementary School*

Christopher Yancone, *North Harford Elementary School*

Secondary School Principals

Regina Jones, *Aberdeen Middle School*

Michael Quigg, *Aberdeen High School*

Harford County Public Schools
2022-2023 Calendar Committee Members

Harford County Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Representatives

Renee DeBiase, *Harford County Council PTA President*,
Kristeena Bakke, *Havre de Grace Elementary School*
Tina Brown, *Youth's Benefit Elementary School*
Renee Stratton, *Swan Creek School*

American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees

Sharon Moxley

**Association of Harford County Administrative, Technical & Supervisory Professionals/
Transportation Representative**

Danielle Bedsaul

Association of Public School Administrators & Supervisors of Harford County

Stacey Gerring

Harford County Education Association/ Harford County Educational Services Council

Chrystie Crawford-Smick

Special Education Citizens Advisory Committee

Jeanne Erdley, *Chairperson*

Aberdeen Proving Ground

Stacie Umbarger, *School Liaison Officer*

Business Community

Kim Hyde, *Har-co Credit Union*

Day Care Providers

Derek DeWitt, *Boys & Girls Club*
Rachel Duncan, *Boys & Girls Club*
Christina Gleason, *Hot Spots*
Ikeia Prince, *YMCA*

Religious Organizations

Rabbi Kushi Schusterman, *Harford Chabad*

Agricultural Community

Robert Tibbs, *Shadow Springs Farm*