

2013-14 School Calendar

“A standing Academic Calendar Committee is established to study and make recommendations with respect to a unified calendar for the 2013-14 school year.”

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- Develop a calendar which facilitates and supports high quality instruction
- Develop a calendar that balances the need for uninterrupted student learning days with necessary breaks for staff development and vacations
- Engage parents, students, teachers and administrators in the calendar development process to ensure that the school calendar meets the needs of all stakeholders

To develop the 2013-14 calendar, we sought feedback from:

- Parents and students (via online survey)
- Parents (via focus groups)
- Principals and Assistant Principals (via online survey and focus groups)
- Teachers (via online survey)
- Network Chiefs
- Central Office Departments

Proposed 2013-14 Calendar

CHICAGO
PUBLIC
SCHOOLS

CPS

AUGUST				
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14▲	15▲	16▲
19♦	20♦	21+	22+	23+
26	27	28	29	30

NOVEMBER				
				1#
4	5	6	7	8
11*	12PT	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	(27)	28*	29*

FEBRUARY				
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12*	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

MAY				
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26*	27	28	29	30

SEPTEMBER				
2*	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30				

DECEMBER				
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
/23/	/24/	/25/	/26/	/27/
(30)	(31)			

MARCH				
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27Q	28#
31				

JUNE				
2	3	4	5	6
9	10Q	11+	12+	13e
16e	17e	18e	19e	20
23	24	25	26	27
30				


OCTOBER				
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14*	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30	31Q	

JANUARY				
		(1)	(2)	(3)
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20*	21	22	23Q	24#
27	28	29	30	31

APRIL				
	1	2	3	4
7PT	8	9	10	11
/14/	/15/	/16/	/17/	/18/
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30		

JULY				
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30	31	

LEGEND

- Q End of Quarter
- + Teacher Institute Days
- # School Improvement Days
- * Holiday
-  Day of non-attendance for students

- // Schools closed -- salary paid except as provided by budgetary action
- () Schools closed -- no salary paid
- PT Parent-Teacher Conference Day (Report card pickup) -- Elementary and high schools
- e Emergency day - school in session if student days fall below state requirement
- ◆ Each school is provided 3 professional development days that can be used flexibly over the course of the school year
- ▲ School clerks begin working on Wednesday, August 14, 2013

HOLIDAYS

September 2	Labor Day	January 20	M. L. King Day
October 14	Columbus Day	February 12	Lincoln's Birthday
November 11	Veterans Day	May 26	Memorial Day
November 28, 29	Thanksgiving Holiday		

Please note: November 22, December 25, January 1 and July 4 are holidays for office employees. November 20 is a non-attendance day for students and school-based staff

Key Components

- Classes begin the Monday before Labor Day for all CPS students
- Non-attendance day for students and school-based staff on the day before Thanksgiving
- Parent-Teacher Conferences (Report card pick-up days) are held on the same day for elementary and high schools
- Repositioned professional development days to better serve schools and teachers
 - 3 days at the beginning of the year to prep for the new year
 - 1 day at the end of each quarter for data review and planning
 - 3 days of PD time that can be used flexibly across the school year
- 28 uninterrupted weeks of student attendance