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High School District Welcomes Public Comment on Proposed 2022-23 Student Calendar

The El Dorado Union High School District (EDUHSD) is in the process of developing its student calendar for the 2022-23 school year, in cooperation with input from District management, District principals, District bargaining groups, and elementary and middle school superintendents. A number of critical assumptions have been used as the basis for developing the school calendar:

- The first assumption, that the school year is based on 180 days, split between two semesters.
- Second, that the two semesters are as closely balanced as possible in the number of days.
- Third, that semester one ends prior to winter break. This improves the continuity of instruction for students – final exams are completed, thereby students and families enjoy a more restful winter break. In addition, ending semester one prior to winter break better aligns with the calendars of the local colleges (Los Rios, Sierra Community College District, CSU-Sacramento, and UC Davis).
- Fourth, that testing windows for important examinations such as the Advanced Placement (AP) Exam that is set in May every year. Completing more instructional days prior to these windows maximizes the amount of time teachers and students have to prepare for important examinations.
- Fifth, that a two-week intersession follows the last day of school.

As part of the collaborative process, a 2022-23 school year calendar has been proposed and is posted to the District’s website for the public to view and comment. This calendar, for the most part, aligns with the traditional school calendar that has been in place for the past 23 years. For the public’s convenience, the significant highlights are emphasized below. Superintendent Ron Carruth encourages all interested parties to log on to the District website to view the entire calendar: <http://www.eduhsd.k12.ca.us/Calendars/>.

2022-23 Calendar:

8/8/22	Start of school (Monday)
5-day	Thanksgiving Break (11/21/22 - 11/25/22)
11-day	Winter Break (12/23/22 - 1/6/23)
5-day	Spring Break (4/3/23 - 4/7/23)
2	Emergency School Closure Days (3/31/23 and 4/10/23)
5/26/23	School ends (Friday), before Memorial Day

Superintendent Carruth states, “There are always pros and cons to any calendar, and we do understand concerns about the school year starting in August, but the proposed calendar option best meets the needs of our students by providing them better continuity of student learning with less disruption and, therefore, a more effective educational program.” The public is invited to comment and may do so by sending your comments to the EDUHSD’s District Office by Tuesday, April 13, 2021 to borris@eduhd.k12.ca.us.

The final calendar for 2022-23 will be brought forth for adoption before the El Dorado Union High School District Board of Trustees on April 20, 2021.