

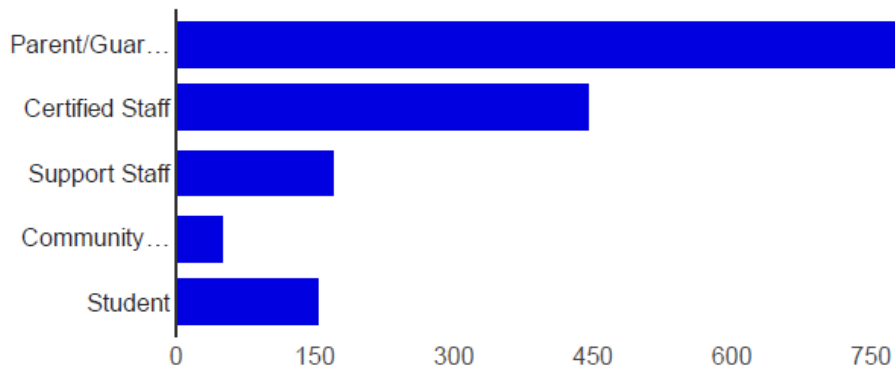
1451 responses

Summary

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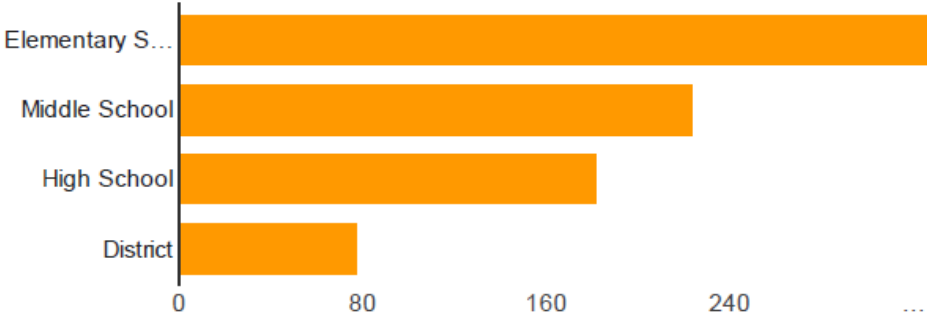
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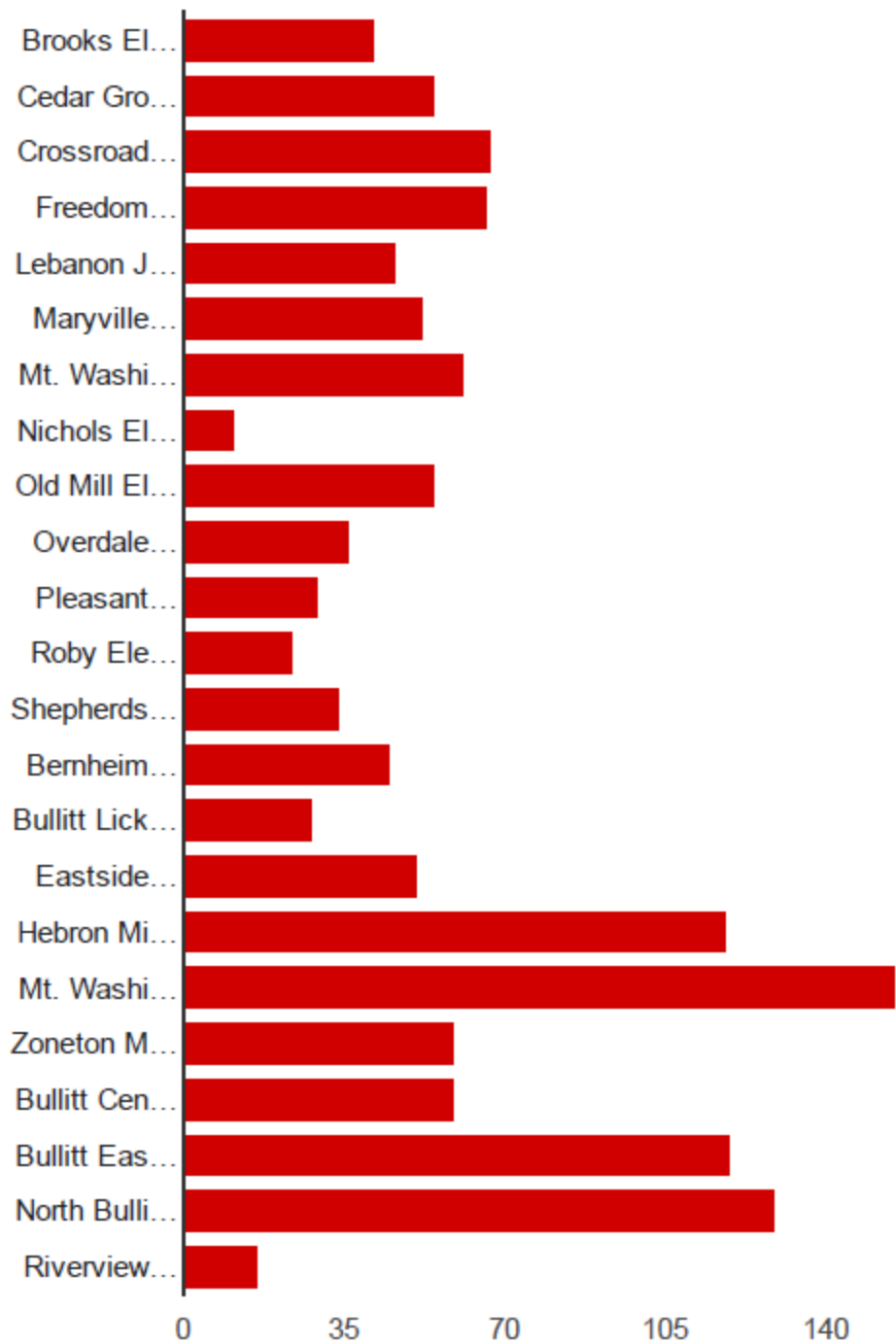
Parent/Guardian	778	54.2%
Certified Staff	447	31.1%
Support Staff	170	11.8%
Community Member	52	3.6%
Student	153	10.7%

If an employee, please select the level in which you are currently employed:



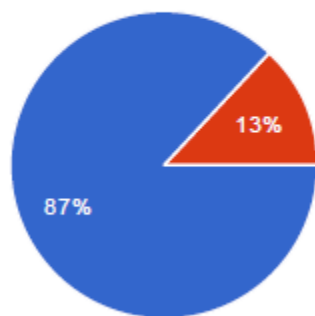
Elementary School	326	41.6%
Middle School	224	28.6%
High School	182	23.2%
District	78	9.9%

If a parent/guardian, please select the school(s) your child(ren) currently attend:



Brooks Elementary	42	4.2%
Cedar Grove Elementary	55	5.5%
Crossroads Elementary	67	6.8%
Freedom Elementary	66	6.7%
Lebanon Junction Elementary	46	4.6%
Maryville Elementary	52	5.2%
Mt. Washington Elementary	61	6.2%
Nichols Elementary	11	1.1%
Old Mill Elementary	55	5.5%
Overdale Elementary	36	3.6%
Pleasant Grove Elementary	29	2.9%
Roby Elementary	24	2.4%
Shepherdsville Elementary	34	3.4%
Bemheim Middle	45	4.5%
Bullitt Lick Middle	28	2.8%
Eastside Middle	51	5.1%
Hebron Middle	118	11.9%
Mt. Washington Middle	155	15.6%
Zoneton Middle	59	6%
Bullitt Central High	59	6%
Bullitt East High	119	12%
North Bullitt High	129	13%
Riverview Opportunity Center	16	1.6%

Are you generally satisfied with the current school calendar?



Yes	1232	87%
No	184	13%

If no, please comment below: comments regard the 2016-2017 school calendar.

See attachment A

Calendar Information:

KRS 158.070(1) "Student instructional year" means at least one thousand sixty-two (1,062) hours of instructional time for students delivered on not less than one hundred seventy (170) student attendance days

KRS 158.070(3)(a) Each local board of education shall use four (4) days of the minimum school term for professional development

KRS 158.070(5)(a) School shall be closed on the day of a regular election and on the day of a primary election

KRS 158.070(5)(b) All schools shall be closed on the third Monday of January in observance of the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr.

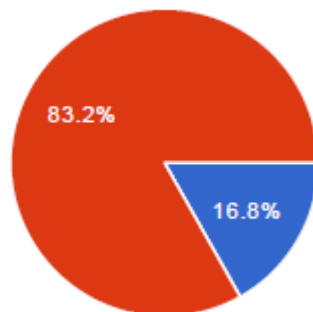
Days that schools are closed by statute or regulation may not be used as makeup days

What day of the week would you like the 2017-2018 school year to start for students?

Monday	255	17.8%
Tuesday	76	5.3%
Wednesday	968	67.4%
Thursday	111	7.7%
Friday	26	1.8%

Which week would you prefer school start?

August - 1st week (Fall Break would then be 1st week of October)	239	16.8%
August - 2nd week (Fall Break would then be 2nd week of October)	1183	83.2%



Fall Break [For each item below do you agree, disagree or have no opinion?]



Agree	1218	83.9%
Disagree	180	12.4%
No Opinion	53	3.7%

Christmas Break (Two week vacation) [For each item below do you agree, disagree or have no opinion?]



Agree	1391	95.9%
Disagree	45	3.1%
No Opinion	15	1%

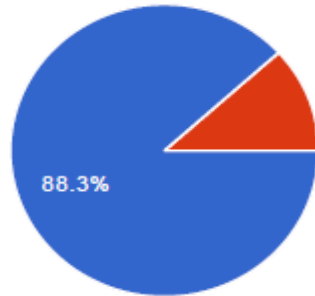
One day off school each month [For each item below do you agree, disagree or have no opinion?]



Agree	884	60.9%
Disagree	320	22.1%
No Opinion	247	17%

Do you prefer to have the semester end before the December/Christmas Break?

Yes	1238	88.3%
No	164	11.7%



Use this space for additional comments regarding the 2017-2018 Bullitt County Public School Calendar.

See attachment B

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We didnt get all the teacher work days back when I was school that they do now. Rather annoying.

I'd rather not have a full week for fall break.

I wish elementary school started earlier. I also don't think Fall Break is necessary.

Too many days off every month. That's hard for working parents.

To many days off

The students are out of school often, for something or another it seems, And the extensive fall break is a bit much. Would rather the kids get out if school earlier in May rather than have such a long time off for a "fall break". Maybe a long weekend for fall break would be more appealing to majority of parents and staff? The kids seems to have a lot of days off, and summer breaks seem to get shorter and shorter. I think most would like to see a longer summer with fewer days off, could possibly be more beneficial from a learning stand point too.

I like the whole day teacher planning days better than the early release days but would like them to be limit to 4 days a school year.

The Friday of St. James Arts Fair because it is impossible to keep classrooms covered with all the teachers that do no work on that day.

I suggest that we be off the Friday of the St. James Art fair, teachers are usually absent to attend and it seems that we don't have enough subs to cover the schools. It would also be nice if Central Office was closed or at least closed for half a day on this Friday also.

Why are the kids out of school ALL. THE. TIME!!! There are very few weeks in the calendar year that the kids are in school a full 5 days. Put them in school. Make it consistent. Quit letting them out all the time. Get rid of teacher planning days...isn't that what PD days are for??? Get rid of fall break. The kids don't need a giant break in October...school just started. They have a break at Thanksgiving. Then let them have a real summer.

Did not like going back on January 2nd.

The Christmas break needs to be more balanced around the holidays. 9 days off before Christmas and 0 days off after New Year's Day seems very unbalanced

1) Teacher planning days take up too much instructional time and are usually not worthwhile. If we need to have special time set aside for teachers to work together on PD, school improvement, etc, it would be a much more effective use of the calendar to have student half-days in the morning, and teacher planning in the afternoon. That way we still get that time together, but it doesn't count as a non-student day that we have to make up at the end of the year. 2) Fall break does not coincide with surrounding districts.

I think it would be in our best interest to have built in snow days. If we do not use them, then we could place these days before the spring break. Two extra days besides the ones that are already built in would elevate the days at the end of the school year, so that students are actively learning throughout those last few months of school. EOC, AP classes must test in a certain window, which give those teachers the ability to continue with the content that must be covered in a given amount of time. Thank

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you! :) If extra days can not be added to the calendar, then the best decision would be to add additional minutes on the beginning or end of the day to accommodate the extra time needed in the classroom to cover the content.

I like the way the quarter broke at Fall break. That was pretty nice. But, wouldn't be opposed to pushing it back another week.

Too many teacher planning days. One per month is too often.

Fall break for us is different than all of the other surrounding counties. This causes issues for parents that work in the district and childcare. Ending the quarter the week after fall break seems like a reasonable solution.

I would prefer to have year-round school. I think it would help reduce the amount of knowledge students lose over the summer, and it would help prevent teacher burnout.

I believe we start back too early in the summer. Most of August should be part of their break, if not all.

Begins too early in August.

Too many staff days. We miss too much during the Fall when the weather is great. Students' routines are interrupted by all these long weekends and additional days attached to longer breaks.

Seems there are too many days off. In my opinion.

I personally think they take too many days off during the year which in turn shortens summer break. I also feel that school is started too early in August. I would rather my child have less days off during the year and a longer summer.

Coming back to work on January 2 is horrible!!

I think the kids are getting too much time off where we as parents have to find childcare for a full day or two at a time. 1/2 days like in the past seemed more fitting.

I think there are too many days off for students, how do they have time to learn? And with fall & spring break & then the once a month day off on Mondays, that is way too much school for a student to lose those learning days, especially students that are behind to start with.

Children need to be in school learning not off on Fall & Spring breaks, at least take one of them off. And the one day off each month is too much. That is why so many kids are so behind in their grades, they need to be in school. Bullitt Co has too many school days off. Please keep the children in school so they can learn.

Off too many days during the year which, combined with snow days, makes us dismiss for the summer too late. Fall, Christmas, and Spring breaks are fine, but there are extra days that could be trimmed, for example, Teacher Plan Days.

Teacher plan days are not effective. These are meeting days, not planning days. 1 hour at to collaborate with your "team" does not constitute planning. If the meetings were effective and actually helped, that would be different. They are usually meetings to dictate another non-negotiable or to discuss our inefficiencies as teachers. Actually give us the day to plan, do grades, or "sharpen our saw" along with all

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the other things that we do at 10pm at night or all day Sunday rather than family dinner. We encourage our students to sharpen their saw, when should we?

Calendar is ideal. It seemed like fall break was a week later this year, but still not bad.

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I would prefer that Fall Break return to the first week of October.

Do not see the need for all the Monday's off each month and the fall break seems to much. Maybe a long weekend instead

Too many breaks/days off Would be nice if it coincided with JCPS

Less Mondays off so we can get out earlier

Too many random days off. So many teacher planning day but yet no parent teacher meetings. Use a few plannings days to pay overtime so teacher can meet with parents after school. Parents shouldn't have to use our vacation days to take off for meetings and school activities. The only after school activities are the ones that involve the school making money such as fall festival and book fairs.

Fall break was too late this year. It is too close to Election Day and thanksgiving which are already extra days off. It should go back to the first week in October or be shortened to a half of a week.

Miss the two hour release days instead of having the kids out for the PD days. It counted as instructional days and we don't have to goto school until June.

I like when we space the days off out.

Too many days off.

My preference is an alternative calendar.

There are too many breaks in the calendar year. Then when we have snow days students are not allowed to make up the days from the calendar deemed as "planning" days. If the students are out so much that creates more work for the teachers because they have to make up the work in less time.

Generally speaking, I love the school calendar, however, I've mentioned in years past the possibility of year round school. Instead of 10 weeks in summer, we get 8 weeks off, 2 off for fall break, and 2 off for spring break. This wouldn't be that drastic of a change and would allow more of a break and recharge for all students and staff for each quarter of teaching/learning. I've mentioned it on the school calendar survey, but we've never been given the option to vote on this possibility. Can it be proposed this year?? Doesn't hurt to ask and vote on it right? Thank you for taking this idea into consideration.

I do not care for the teacher professional development days to follow the fall/Christmas/spring breaks but also do not have a suggestion to contribute.

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The school year starts too early. Kids have no summer and it's crazy to start this early.

I do not think it is best for students to have the Teacher Work Days during the school year. I think they would be better grouped together after the students last school day in late May/June.

Strongly prefer to push back our August start date and more in line with JCPS.

Fall Break needs to be shorter and snow days need to be built into the calendar so we don't have to make up so many at the end of the year. Make teacher planning days every other month to allow for built in snow days.

We do not need a week off for Fall Break.

Get rid of some breaks and start school year later in August

It seems that our school year has gone well into June the last few years because of make-up snow days. If we are going to go into June each year, I would prefer to start later in the year so it would seem that our summer was a bit longer. Otherwise, we need to start earlier in the year or delete fall break to try and prevent going into June. It needs to be moved one week one way or the other.

Prefer to see school begin later in August. Could remove additional days throughout school year to make up difference.

I continually notice school starts earlier and ends later each year. Snow days are always at fault for this, yet there are several days that students are off for teacher intervention. I believe that instead of taking away from the students breaks that these days could be used to replace those weather deterred days. I understand that by regulated laws teachers have to have so many in school days per year but these days just as well can be picked up on Saturdays or holiday breaks that the children are on.

We're starting earlier and earlier, ending later and later. What happened to Labor Day through Memorial Day? The snow just makes it worse. Let's clip some extraneous off-days and close it up some.

I don't like that they start so early in Aug. What happened to kids starting in Sept? Is a Fall break really needed after a short time in school?

It needs to be remade. Don't do teacher planning days on a Tuesday. Only a Monday. If not, then just go back to early release on the third Wednesday of the month.

When the calendar was released, May 8, 2017 was a scheduled teacher planning day - day off for the students. Since we all don't have the luxury schedule that teachers keep, with their so many days off each school year - including summer break, fall break, Thanksgiving break, Christmas break, Spring break, sick days, vacation days... working families have to plan their life around the school schedule. And my family planned a mini-vacation for Derby weekend because it was a nice, long weekend. But, because of AP testing (or whatever it is), a scheduled day off is now a regular school day. Keith Davis' comment was something along the lines that teachers/the school district doesn't care what days the teacher planning days are as long as they have them. Guess what - the teachers aren't the only ones affected, it is the rest of us. Very disappointed with the district's perspective on that decision and the decision - poor planning!!

I did not like having fall break during the second week of October!

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I do not think we need a full week for Fall break and we should push starting the school year back one week into August (we start back too early).

Fall, Christmas, Spring breaks are too long. They should be two weekend days and three days in the week. That would give more days off for snow days without having to make them up

Too many breaks during the school calendar i.e. Fall break, another 4 day weekend less than a month after that. We would rather start a week or so later at the beginning of the year.

I would like for fall break to be a long weekend rather than a full week

I feel the last minute move of Teacher Planning day on May 8th to January 3rd was poor planning. Working parents take this calendar and plan their vacation time or all time off during the year. Just moving it and have the superintendent Keith Davis say the teachers don't care when it is as long as they get them just confirms they are not needed and not effective days. You can go by a school that is closed for these teacher planning days and see by the cars that 1/2 the teachers are out and not doing anything. Take these days out of the calendar or move them to the end of the year for snow days.

Breaks are too long. After being off a week or two and continue with an additional day is too, too long. Start your year later and cut out some of those extended days. Ridiculous. It is not easy for me to take an additional day off and I can't afford a babysitter for that additional day. Wish the day started about 1/2 hour earlier and got out a 1/2 hour earlier.

But...I know the issue was discussed two years ago but we need to have elementary schools begin classes first. Other surrounding counties do and it works out well for them. I think if parents would give it a chance and board members would vote what they know to be right, then it would be a non-issue within the first year. All change is hard until you realize that it can be for the best if given the chance.

Too many days off before Christmas. Then when the bad weather comes after Jan. 1, days have to be built in to make them up. After May testing, made up days are a waste of instruction.

I think we should have snow days built into the calendar so that the end of the year doesn't change so dramatically. The past few years have proven that we generally have snow days. If we don't use them then we can have days off during the year. Also, the teacher planning days are nice, but the day off each month is very distracting for the students. A four day week throws off the younger students. It halts our momentum because they are excited before and after. The additional days after break are especially difficult to transition back from. An additional five minutes added on to the school day does not take the place of five instructional days. Early release was much easier to manage than a whole day off.

We should not be coming back from Christmas break on January 2nd or 3rd. Should be 7th or 8th.

Personally, my preference is to explore an alternative calendar.

Too many days with out students. It makes the year too long.

Would like to see Fall Break moved back to the first week of Oct. Would prefer year-round school/calendar. Spec Ed Teachers and SLPs need a couple more paid days prior to school to set up learning environments and visuals for the students, so structure is in place from the first day.

I wish the begin date of school would start later in month of August and go longer in June

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Later start in August

For those of us that do not live in the district and have a student that attends school in the district where we live, I would like if the calendar matched up with those of nearby districts. Of course it would be easier to bring my child to the school I work; however, having to pay tuition is a negative factor.

There is too many days that the students are not in school. We do not need Fall Break. The cycle is not consistent for learning. The district should start later in August and eliminate many of the days out of school.

I know more than likely graduation date will be change per snow days, but I dont think it should be on Holiday weekend.

Are these monthly PD days necessary? Each and every month?

I wish that fall break could be later in October- people who work in finances aren't able to take off during fall break OR Spring Break because it seems to fall with month end financials. IT would be nice to take time off with your children.

I truly feel there is too much time off between Sept. - Dec. and then they go for 3 month Jan. - Mar. with just a day here and there. Just wondering why days can not be eliminated or spread out more evenly. Thanks.

all except teacher plan day too many.

Office staff should not be required to work on Teacher Plan days.

Too many days off each month - makes it hard for child care. Gets students out of routine.

Children are off way too many day, how are they suppose to learn when they are off so much???

The way the calendar is set up right now, makes it difficult for families where both parents work. One specific issue I also have with the calendar, is that on these days off the district does not provide the YMCA enough space to provide services for all parents who would need them. There have been several times where I have been turned away and had to take days off of work because sites were full. If the district is not going to have school on certain days, that would not be normal days an adult would be off from work, then there needs to be a district wide program to help these families where both parents have to work. For example - Fall break. It is totally reasonable for the week off, where most parents will either take vacation or take them to some sort of camp. However, having the following Monday after fall break off forces parents to either take an additional day off or find alternative childcare provisions. The Monday after Fall break was not covered under the fall break for the YMCA and therefore students who were signed up for the week were not signed up for the following Monday because of the classification and therefore did not have enough space at their sites.

the pd days are not very productive

Too long before fall break. Teachers have one day off from the beginning of school until fall break

Fall break is too long. Many people, including myself, would much rather shorten fall break and get out earlier at end of school year. 10 straight days off after school year just recently starts seems unnecessary

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I would like to eliminate the Teacher Workdays.

The breaks through the year make it hard to keep a consistent routine.

There have been too many changes to the calendar since the school year began.

Day can start a bit later

We have too many days off of school

Starts too early, ends too late. Too many long breaks, too close together.

Since getting our medical transfer from Maryville we live live freedom

The Fall Break should not be as long. We need to try and shorten it as we always have too many snow days and we need to try and keep the kids from attending school in June.

I would like to see the kids have less time off during the winter and a longer summer break. It is easier to plan for child care when there is a block of time off in the summer and a consistent school schedule once classes are in session. It is hard to plan around random days off and a short summer break. Not to mention, kids need time to be kids and spend time with their family during the summer.

Later start date needed.

They start too early. School used to start in the middle of August not the first week.

I would like year round school to be in place, with the couple weeks off every couple months. Kids forget so much over the long summer off, the first month back each August is devoted to reviewing what was forgotten and to get back into the swing of things. Kids are also getting bored (and lazy) after a month off in the summer. And it would be nice to have short 1-2 week breaks throughout the year, families could perhaps vacation at non-peak times (summer, fall, spring break). The original reasons 100 years ago for having a long summer break are no longer valid. A majority of our kids are not helping on the farm & schools have air conditioning. It is 2016 for goodness sake, not 1916.

Could we use teacher plan days as snow make-up days instead of adding to the end of the year?

I do not like fall break week starting the week of the Columbus Day holiday. I would prefer the Fall Break week to be during the first week of October (Fall Break was the first week of October during the 2015 - 2016 school year).

Get rid of teacher planning days. Teachers sit in meetings all day and do little actual planning. This drags out the school year for everyone.

How about starting the third week in August?

I do feel taking away the half days was the right decision. I also like that fall break is a week and a day.

I think fall break needs to be a 2 to 3 at most. With a teacher inservice day a month they miss a lot of days. Especially since we almost always have 5 or more snow days. This would help ensure a last day of school in May.

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Rather start sooner, get out sooner. I believe we should have more snow days built in and that teacher planning days should be used for make up snow days.

School needs to begin later in August. A full week for fall is not needed 2-3 days at most is sufficient.

I'm generally satisfied, but there are too many teacher planning days, especially tacked onto the end of other holidays or days off. I would like to see early release brought back.

I think there should be more than two days built into the schedule as snow make up days, adding it onto the end only makes state testing later and runs into family vacation time. Parents are reminded constantly about attendance at the end of the year but I would like to remind the board that family time is very important also. I also would like to remind you that UPS is a major employer in this area and those employees are not suppose to take time off from Thanksgiving until the New Year and are expected to be on call at all times during peak. The two weeks our children are off for Christmas break(16 total day but 12 school days) seems excessive time off from learning during the school year. I think it should be the one week between Christmas and New Years. This cuts down on the length of time off from learning and builds some time back for snow days. If you want to give the week of Thanksgiving off instead of two at Christmas, I think that would spread the down time out a little more. I also do not like the extra teacher planning days on the calendar, which are conveniently after a long weekend or break. This does pose a problem for families that have to get to work. When you drive past the schools on those days there is no one there working either. I also would like to point out that the state of Kentucky has one of the lowest day requirements for education in the country at 170 days. That does not mean there should be more time off during the school year as children and their families may like to spend their time together. Please just try to consider the families and students involved not only the employees. I think school should start the last week of August or all of the buses should have air conditioning on them.

I think our kids should start school in September and end in early May.

I don't know if this pertains to the school calendar, but I don't think that all teachers in the school should have substitutes for a day while they do continuing education, those should be done on nonschool days, either before the school year starts, afterwards, or on their teacher days once a month.

I would prefer Fall Break to be the first week of October.

Our school opened three days late due to construction and so now the students must stay 7 minutes later everyday to make up the time. Also I do not agree with having a fall break, especially when we already have 3 days to make up and we will inevitably have upcoming snow days as well.

A week for fall break seems to be excessive.

I want BCPS and jcps fall breaks to be together.

Too much time off. Not many snow make up days in the calendar before tacking them on to the and cut into summer break.

Not enough for thanks giving

Don't need such long breaks. We should never have to go to school after Labor Day. We take off for poor reasons. Also, there's no reason to start the 1st week of August. It's getting ridiculous.

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I don't think we should get off once a month use them for snow days

Need to make sure that in the future staff are not working on federal holidays i.e. January 1 is being observed on January 2 since the New Years is on a Sunday. Most daycares are closed due to the holiday but staff are required to work. This places a undue hardship on employees with children. I wish the committee would return to the practice of releasing a draft of the calendar before it is up for approval for comments. AP teachers would have caught the May teacher plan day so the Board would not have to change - I caught it immediately and went to my school rep to say something. The practice of Teacher Plan Day is good in theory but many administrators fill it with unnecessary day long meetings. This is not the best use of time for preparing our students for learning.

I think it's ridiculous that school starts back so soon in August! When I went to school we didn't go back u til the day after Labor Day! At least going back the 3rd week in August would at least be better!

Teacher Planning Days should be cut out entirely. It is an excuse to drag out the school year, and ridiculous that there are so many of them. If you insist on having them, then they should be available as snow make-up days because school should NEVER be in session after Memorial Day. School should start the third week of August, at the earliest. School should end a week before Memorial Day, at the latest. This is entirely possible because of all the wasted time in the schedule. Also, it is absurd that kids get a week for Fall Break and Spring Break, only to have the following Monday off as well.

The teacher work day (one day per month) seems excessive and causes child care issues. I am a teacher in Jefferson County and we do not get that many Professional Development Days. I don't see how you all legally meet the required days per year for instruction that is mandated by the state.

Longer fall break.

Colored PDF calendar is wonderful. Black and White only tends to be misunderstood by our students.

Teacher planning days are hard to get sitters

Wish we could use make up days throughout the calendar for snow days instead of adding them at the end. Summer break is already too short

Way too many teacher planning days. These days cause students to attend school deep into June for no legitimate reason. For example, after a 5 day fall break students also were out of school the following Monday, which makes no sense. These 10-11 days need to be looked at and reworked. If the teachers cant plan their week during a week long break, then that's their problem, not the students.

Each year, we start a few days earlier...yet we go just as long. I know there are a lot of PD days built in for teachers, but it shrinks the summer. Would love to get back to starting later.

I do think we should start a little later in August and have a few less planning days during the year. Other than that, it's great.

The kids should have a longer summer. They don't need the fall break. They are out for Christmas.

I think schools should start after Labor Day weekend and end Memeorial weekend like it used to be... All the breaks keep the kids from retaining what they are learning...

School starts too early in the year.

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I wish that school started later in August. The kids start too early now in my opinion.

It is great!

want more time off in the summer and less time off during the year. but most important issue is school start times. You have it all backwards. High school should start last. Elementary should start first.

Too many teacher planning days

Would like the school year to start later in August and have less days off during the year to achieve a later start date.

Should not have fall break, Should not have one day off per month. If this were the case, school would not have to begin before Labor Day and summer vacation would begin sooner.

Start later in August

Too many off days, should use for snow days

Start vacation 2 weeks later, and start school year 2 weeks later.

I am not really against the calendar, however I dislike how early students have to start back to school.

I dislike the Monday's during the month off for students.

I would prefer to have the Christmas break be a little later. We like to have more time to travel after Christmas for a winter vacation. I would say get off school Christmas Eve or maybe one day before that and have most of the vacation after Christmas.

Would prefer that, even with our make-up snow days, that school would end no later than the week before Memorial Day. Would like to know the study of how well students do in year-round school verses our schedule. Schools such as Frankfort Independent High School has this schedule and students seem to be more focused than ours. And they still get a traditional summer break.

Start time to early in August.

Summer breaks are too long. Teacher planner days need to be spaced out more. Children should have an hour for lunch, teaching them to eat fast isn't healthy. Thank you

I'm glad we are still using Monday's instead of early release on Wednesdays...that works well. Especially when the Monday relates to another break like at the end of fall break or spring break.

I think fall break should be done away with and let school start later in the year.

Too many days Mondays (or following day) after time off like Fall Break, Labor Day, Etc.

It would be nice if fall break could be the week of Halloween

I think that one of the planning days in October should be the day after Halloween.

I feel that there are too many teacher days. One a month is excessive, I can see one a quarter. If you continue to have one a month, I feel as if they should be used as snow days once we have missed a day.

Fall break should align with other local school districts as much as possible. Hardin, Nelson, etc.

Attachment A

They are out of school too many days throughout the year. They do not need to be off one Monday a month they need to be in school learning. If they didn't have so many days off during the year maybe they would be able to start school later in August instead of the beginning.

I would like to have started the year a week earlier like surrounding counties. Also, adding a day to every break and having monthly teacher planning days is inconvenient.

Would like to see school start a little later. 3rd week in August.

I do not like that the Monday following fall and spring breaks is also a no school day.

I don't really like having one day off a month. It seems to disrupt the flow of the lessons. I would rather have kids in school and be here teaching them.

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I think that more of the days off during the school year should be used for make up days. Its hard to plan a vacation when it's a bad winter and the kids have to go to school half way through June

School needs to start at least the 3rd week in August! They should also get out around the 3rd week of May!

Too many planning days, already have professional days and other breaks.

It doesn't coincide with JCPs which is where I work. I can't take off when my daughter is off. Would be nice to have similar calendars

Fall and spring break need to align with other districts like they did in previous years. We have divorced parents with kids in neighboring districts and no way to have kids on a trip. I have kids in Hardin and Bullitt and Jefferson. Hardin and Jefferson aligned this year Bullitt did not.

I would have liked to have the same fall break as the counties around Bullitt County like Hardin, Jefferson and Meade.

Do not like one day off a month. I would like for the kids to get out of school before Memorial Day.

I preferred the fall break schedule that was the first week of October . We were not aware it changed and had already scheduled our vacation with reservations for the first week , because it had been like that for several years. Also it was the same time as other counties, and we were able to vacation with family that are in Breckenridge, Hardin and Jefferson when it was the first week.

Overall the calendar is fine. I would like to see that the grandparents day lunch is added to school calendars so planning for grandparents to attend can be arranged. Some schools have it closer to the actual grandparents day but freedom doesn't have it until November. Also would like snow makeup days to include oaks day, spring break at least half of them, Martin Luther king day, Presidents' Day. This would help students to complete school prior to June.

Just wanted to comment that this year's calendar is one of the best that we have ever had as far as coordinating days off with weekends & not a lot of odd days during the week. This makes it easier if families need to make trips out of town they can plan them over some of these long weekends.

Attachment A

I would like to see less scheduled days off in favor for later start date to beginning of school year. Or let the children out at the beginning of May, they should have more than an 8 week break for summer.

I feel like at the beginning of the year there are a lot of teacher work days that could be used for instructional days. I'm wondering if those days could be saved and used as snow days later in the winter. Instructional time is valuable at the beginning of the year especially.

I would love to try the 9 weeks on - 2 weeks off - I realize the summer would be shortened but I think the students would retain more during the summer and also have something to look forward to after each 9 weeks.

I wish that fall breaks, spring breaks, Christmas break be the same time if Jefferson Co so that my son can do stuff with his cousins, it makes it so hard for child care as well, some of my child's high school cousins can watch him.

I think the students are out of school too many days during the year.

I would like to see a longer summer, and the days are extended to make up for snow days but yet we are still making up days. I also don't know why oaks day is a day off if we need it to make up a snow day. If it is needed teachers and staff just need to be at work.

PD days Too many off days out of the classroom

I feel there is NO need in a Fall Break!

Would like to see fall break moved back to first week of October to give us more instructional time before Thanksgiving break.

i want to be able to have my kids off the day after halloween

Wish there were more makeup snow days incorporated throughout the calendar so students do not have to attend school into June each year.

I prefer starting a little earlier in August, less "teacher planning" days and end in May.

We need more days that can be used for make up days

I hated that fall break was one week later than most other school districts in Kentucky. It made it impossible to vacation with family, who reside in another school district. We have been saving for a Disney cruise for the fall of 2017. If fall break is late again next school year, I will have to miss a week of work and my son will miss a week of school.

Fall break fell too late this year. It should be the same week as most other school systems in Kentucky.

Would like to see school start after the Kentucky State Fair, many children are missing out on having to be able to enter their farm animals and I don't feel that 1 day is enough for them 4-h children and so on !

Teacher planning day the Monday after Spring Break again please

No, because school starts too early.

No because school starts too early.

Attachment A

I think that we should have the first week off in January so that we can have a 3 week vacation instead of a 2 week.

i think we should have mondays off every month

No, because I think school should start at a later time and we should have a shorter week.

I would rather two weeks off every month at the end of the month.

The only thing I would like to see a change in are the Family Movie nights. It would be great if we could do these on Friday evening.

School starts too early in August.

A few less days off during year & get out earlier

we need more days off

we need more days off of school and keep our breaks

I do miss early release Wednesdays, but the one-day per month off is a good option. It makes it so much easier to schedule appointments on these days (when they aren't holidays) for doctor, dentist, etc. than for kids to miss school or sign in/out late/early.

I don't like the teacher planning day because they don't make them up for snow days. And also I over heard several teachers and principal talk about them going to eat that day from 11-1. So that tells me that they don't do anything. Plus my sister n law is a teacher and she said half the teachers either don't show up or don't do anything.

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Attachment B

Why couldn't we combine fall break with Thanksgiving break if everyone wants a full week?

Children need to be in school learning not off on Fall & Spring breaks, at least take one of them off. And the one day off each month is too much. That is why so many kids are so behind in their grades, they need to be in school. Bullitt Co has too many school days off. Please keep the children in school so they can learn.

Start times for elementary should be earlier. Fall Break should be shorter or done away with completely.

Fall break does not need to be a full week. Days off during the year should be limited so school can end before Memorial Day. Make up snow days should be built into the calendar so that the school year does not extend into June.

I don't mind fall break but don't feel it needs to be a full week

Again, it would be nice to see fewer days off. They seem to always be out of school for something.

Would rather start later in August and end in June. August is a very hot month and would rather have more of that month off since my kids are on the buses for over an hour on their way home and sweating and heat exhausted when they get off the bus.

The one day off school each month on preferably Friday or Monday. Like the one day off each month. Would like the Friday before Easter & Monday after Easter used as that month's day off & the Teacher Planning Day make it a four day weekend every year. Like the Thursday and Friday off for Thanksgiving.

I like adding the Teacher Planning Days to the end of long weekend or week off. However, I would like to see more than 2 days padded in the calendar as weather make-up days. The one in Feb and one in March are great but would be nice to add a couple more before tacking them on the end of the school year. I would prefer to add more of those types of days than have a Fall Break. Thanks!

Instead of a full week for fall break, how about a long weekend?

It would be nice if our fall break fell around the same time other counties do, for vacation with family purposes.

School starts too early. Why does the start of school determine fall break. We need to have the same fall break as surrounding counties to foster family vacation time.

I would be happy with 3 days off for Fall Break and start school later.

I would like for Fall Break to be the 1st week of October.

Would like to see the inclusion of a late winter "break" (end of February for example, say Wed-Fri) to allow for potential, more effective snow makeup days earlier in the semester.

Everything I stated above!!!!

Fall Break at during the 1st week of October.

Keep fall break at 1 week

Thanks for ALL your hard work on the calendar

Attachment B

Splitting the semester up between Christmas break is a very bad idea. I'd rather have teacher plan days on Fridays than Mondays.

I find the current calendar model very family-friendly for the majority of our families. Personally, I found the later fall break to be very pleasant since the majority of surrounding counties had their break during the previous week. However, I also recognize that that can be a significant inconvenience for others.

I think ending the semester before Christmas Break is more important than which week of August school starts.

Fall Break is a week that is needed sometimes to rejuvenate and begin with a new start to finish out the last nine weeks of the semester. I think possibly having off the Thursday thru Tuesday would allow for a nice break and then use the one of those days for the snow days for the Winter months if needed.

Please keep it pretty much the same. I think we have a successful calendar that most of the community supports.

Any consideration to hear round?

Could teacher work days possibly fall on Fridays instead of Mondays? It would still allow for the same amount of time and could work better. Missing Monday through off the whole rest of the week. Missing Friday would be less disruptive.

Keep a full week for fall break

We should consider allowing students to "work" from home on snow days so they do not have to make those days up at the end of the year OR we should look at a year round schedule. No one likes to go to school in June.

What about starting school earlier? Is that still an option?

Christmas Break should be longer.

I think the calendar has been great the past couple of years. I love fall break but would be okay with a long weekend, too. I know attendance would be an issue if it was just a long break because families like taking vacations during that week.

When the semester ends is very insignificant to me. I would've preferred for the semester to end it before the December break, but I wouldn't want the entire calendar to be built around that.

Teacher meeting time seems to be more important than actually teaching students.

work more makeup days into the schedule. Forgo fall break and make it a part of the schools therefore shortening the year.

As far as breaks Christmas/Fall I think an extended weekend would suffice for fall and that Christmas break could be shortened by several days. I also feel that School shouldn't start until the end of August or beginning of September.

I wish we would move to year round schooling schedule

Attachment B

-I wish school started on September first and ended on May 1. -Also I would prefer not to have makeup snow days. There should be way to still do work when off school.

I am really happy with the school calendar. As rigorous as the curriculum is anymore on these kids they need breaks from school-especially for relaxed family time and a chance to do things together. I really like that the days off each month are attached to weekends or breaks. The only thing I would like better is maybe having it be a Friday instead of a Monday since I don't get to enjoy the Mondays since I work 12 hours Saturday and Sunday nights and don't get to enjoy Mondays off with my kids much by the time I wake up after working all night Sunday.

I really like this school calendar. I have taught in other districts, and feel like this calendar provides students with the right amount of time in school and breaks in order to best support student moral and learning.

Children need to be in school learning not off on Fall & Spring break, at least take one of them off. And the one day off each month is too much. That is why so many kids are so behind in their grades, they need to be in school.

Please adjust teacher work days so they are actually WORK days that are beneficial to us, or eliminate them entirely. Most of them are spent in meetings and trainings that should be done as PD. We don't get to work on what we need to do.

This year has been the best school schedule we have had since I started teaching! The teacher planning days are awesome. Plus starting the 2nd week of August allows teachers to enjoy summer more.

One day off a month - disagree, see comments above regarding teacher plan day.

Having election day off (or at least optional) for employees is important to me.

I would like for Teacher Planning days to be considered for snow make up days. It seems that a make up day would be better use of our time then sitting in meetings.

I believe a 2-3 day fall break is sufficient, especially in the years with the Election Day off.

Like having some long weekends but feel we have too many

I would like for fall break to not be a full week. We have enough breaks before January, we don't need a whole week off. I think a Thursday, Friday, Monday off or something like that where it's split between 2 weeks.

The second week in October is the KHSAA boys and girls soccer tournament. We have no control over that.

Having the semester end before Christmas makes sense rather than having students remember or pick up where they left off for a couple of weeks. I would be willing to cut down on Teacher Work days to one every marking period as opposed to every month. They are extremely beneficial, but could be handled four times a year.

Days off each month makes this very difficult on the working parent. Give us longer breaks instead.

Attachment B

Would be nice if we looked at an "all year round" calendar, like how some schools in Indiana operate. 9 weeks on, 3 weeks off, and then 6 weeks for summer break. I feel that we keep rehashing the same tired and tried ideas; its time for something radically different.

It would be great if fall break is the 1st week of October.

I believe fall break should be no more than 2 days off. I also understand teachers need planning time. If there must be a day off each month then the school days should be extended. Build into the schedule bad weather days. More school time, brighter children.

If there are 2 days in a row in which students don't attend school, Teacher Planning Days should be on the day before students go back. (Ex: off on a Monday and Tuesday, planning day should be Tuesday). This way teachers get a long weekend.

I would like us to use online learning days for make up snow days!!!!

Generally speaking, I love the school calendar, however, I've mentioned in years past the possibility of year round school. Instead of 10 weeks in summer, we get 8 weeks off, 2 off for fall break, and 2 off for spring break. This wouldn't be that drastic of a change and would allow more of a break and recharge for all students and staff for each quarter of teaching/learning. I've mentioned it on the school calendar survey, but we've never been given the option to vote on this possibility. Can it be proposed this year?? Doesn't hurt to ask and vote on it right? Thank you for taking this idea into consideration.

Fall break shouldn't be 1 week long. Maybe a Friday and Monday so that way the kids can get out of school early since we do have a lot of snow days.

Would prefer a four day weekend as opposed to a full week for fall break.

The teacher planning days are a mess for parents who work and don't have adequate child care for older elementary aged students. Scrounging to find childcare in the area is a nightmare.

If possible, could more snow day makeups be built into the calendar, rather than adding them at the end? We do realize you only have so many days to work with. :-) Would starting school earlier in August make this possible?

Teacher work days are unnecessary the way they are being used in the elementary schools. These days are extra Professional Development days and are not used for individual teacher's work related needs. Snow days should be made up prior to the end of the school year using every day possible including PD days, Spring Break Days, TWD and alternative home flexible makeup assignments prior to adding them to the end of the calendar year.

I miss having the early release days once a month. It made it easier to schedule doctor appointments so they wouldn't have to miss any school

Having the semester end before Christmas Break is good as long as report cards do not need to go out prior to the break.

Please consider beginning the school year later in August to allow families vacation time through the summer.

Having a week for fall break is so nice!!! I love the set up of this year.

Attachment B

Have the November teacher Planning Day to be held on election day and the PD day to be offered on the Monday before election day.

In the 2016-2017 school year, there are no teacher planning days after March 20. There are plenty of things that require teacher planning in the final quarter. After every other major break, a teacher work day is scheduled in (after fall break, Christmas break, etc.). This could also be used as valuable time to plan for the coming year and set up any projects that should be worked on over the summer.

What happened to getting forgiven so many snow days? I think some kind of plan needs to include where graduating seniors shouldn't be trying to figure when their graduating. So, out of town family members can make travel arrangements early. Ex. add extra minutes to the days.

It seems that as I was a child the length of school continuously extends each year. More so than not for state funding to the schools for attendance and length of time spent in a class room. Funding seems to be the main motivator for actions by school boards, instead this should be as much weighed for the best for the children. Taxes are increased each year 4 percent, the maximum increase each year for school board. I have yet to see how funding from the state and the continuously increasing school tax and money still not be there for things that the children need. There should be no reason with all this money that all meals be free for children in any school. I know this has nothing to do with the calendar year but it is still a major issue in the major of schools being that many of these children only eat at school. A parents pride is the also at fault for not asking for help when it involves the child's well being but I believe free meals with the amount of money that is allotted would be no issue. My daughter receives free lunch at brooks but we still need this moved to all schools to not be determined by the local areas per household income. Let's make a difference in the lives of the children so they can grow to be a reputable influence in this community when it's time for them to take the places of us. Future is not perceived or allocated in the things we do for the present.

I really like having the Teacher Plan Days scheduled right after long breaks. It gives teachers an opportunity to get back into "teacher" mode. It also eliminates the occasional day off for students that disrupts the consistency and routine.

BCPS has a great calendar and I hope it will remain the same! We are the envy of other districts! Thanks very much for considering staffs' input!

I think this year's calendar is perfect. I would actually like to see us go to "year round"

The one day a month is good for meetings, so I see that that's useful. I don't disagree with Fall Break fundamentally, but we don't need a whole week. I enjoy it - but I enjoy my summer more. Cut it to a 4-day long weekend or something.

I do like the Teacher Planning Days after an extended break in order to make sure everything in the classroom is ready for students the following day.

I would like for the entire state to be on the same schedule. We live in a more transient time and there is more movement between districts. I figure if I put it out there, then perhaps it will eventually happen. Thank you for reading.

Would like to see fall break the 1st week of October!

Attachment B

Why is an extra day off each month needed? We have weekend and holidays off. If we would stop worrying so much about extra off days, during the year, we may have a longer summer!!!!

I miss the early release days. Please bring them back.

Fall Break is too long...

Thank you.

Bullitt County Fall Break align with JCPS's Fall Break / Teacher Work Days

We have had two schedule changes since this school year began. It would be helpful to have no changes once the year begins so there is no confusion. Also, teachers return on January 2nd this school year which will be a holiday for all other jobs. Finding child care or going to the bank or post office is not feasible on that day. Keeping such things in mind when planning breaks would be helpful to teachers and parents. If we have any snow days this year, we are guaranteed to be in school in June. We have finished in June for the last 2-3 years and it makes for a long year. It would be nice to work the schedule so we do not come in June unless we have a high number of snow days. The school year could start the first week for teachers (PD to get ahead for the year) and the second week for students.

The calendar is perfect as is (when we have fall break during the first week of October)!

I am generally ok with the calendar, but fall break threw me off this year. I don't understand why fall break being the second week of October and a 1st wk of AUGust start date are mutually exclusive items.

I know it's unlikely, but it would be nice to have the school year start after having at least the beginning of the state fair.

Teachers say they don't get paid enough. They really need to look at what they are getting paid per day they are actually at school with kids/working. Teachers are at school 170 days teaching kids just at 30K a year pay that's 22 dollars per hour.

I feel christmas break should last longer.

Like the way the 2016-17 calendar is set up with longer weekends added in and no days off in the middle of the week (ex. the monday before election day as a planning day allowing for a longer weekend break for kids). Really do like the thought behind this years calendar and would like to see that retained in the upcoming years.

As a high school employee I dislike when a PD day is moved to the day after last day of school. We still have to work towards finalizing grades and graduation.

At the elementary level teachers have 21-28 children in their classes in which they are expected to have before or after school conferences. These conferences are beneficial however if you include preparation and the conferences teachers are being required to work approximately an additional 20 hours. It would be appropriate to designate one flexible teacher work day in the fall for parent conferences.

Thanksgiving break should be longer for students, and teachers (if possible)

Teacher planning days need to be taken away and put back into instructional days with students. All of the work can get accomplished within a faculty meeting.

Attachment B

Having the Monday after thanksgiving off would be nice for those of us that travel out of town. This is the only holiday we don't get that following Monday off added to break.

Students get bored with 2 weeks off for Christmas. Less is better.

Get rid of Fall break!!! get rid of teacher planning day...isn't this the same as a PD day? The teachers in our building don't do anything on PD days? Why do we have to have both. Get rid of all the random days kids are out. Leave them in school. Let them learn. And let them have a SUMMER!!!

I really liked the school calendar this year. Fall break seemed to come a little later which broke the school year up and more students/staff were able to benefit with family trips

Fall break should be longer as well as christmas break....christmas!!! And Monday should be removed from the school days all together.

Teacher planning days should be eliminated. More snow days should be working into the school day calendar and not added onto the end of the year.

I think that months that there is not a break (spring, fall, Christmas) then have a day off but on those months that should be the only break

I love the full week off for Fall Break!!

I think school starts way to soon, it should not start until the 3rd week of August! Kids do not need a fall break, as they have Thanksgiving time off. For those with little ones it is just another week they have to get child care

I think instead of Mondays off once a month it should be fridays

Please keep a full week for October fall break. That is my only request. Thank you. Keep up the great work everyone!

I am actually an advocate for year round school. More opportunities for learning as well as breaks for teachers and students. Less time spent at the beginning of each year reviewing the previous year to get the students up to speed. I also do not think Fall break needs to be a full week. A 3 day weekend would suffice. I also do not understand why the day after a full break needs to be taken. Seems wasteful when inevitably schools are out in the winter for snow, ice or cold.

No opinion for when the semester ends, but that was not a choice. Thank you-

Our monthly teacher planning days are very helpful.

I know the importance of teacher planning days. However, taking them on to the end of fall break, spring break, and winter break is too much time off of school. Maybe only have planning days every other month and do not attach it on to one of the long breaks - or make it part of the break - more similar to JCPS.

I just ask that you considered families where both parents work when creating next year's calendar and schedules.

Attachment B

We should start school in early September. The school would save money on energy cost because they would not have to run AC as much. It is cooler in June than August.

I would like to see the teacher planning days fall on the Monday after Fall Break and Spring Break.

I really like the planning days right after a break. It allows a good transition back.

way too much time off with fall break, thanksgiving break, and 1 day off each month.

It is great when BCPS spring break aligns with JCPS

Fall break seems unnecessary, especially for 10 straight days off. School year is just getting started then that long break. Ughhh

I would like to eliminate Teacher Workdays.

I know it is challenging for our students without technology at home, but I would like to see something to help reduce the number of made up days at the end of the year for snow days.

Snow days should be added through the year not in the summer.

We need more educational time

I think it's sad these kids don't enjoy summer te first two weeks of August is uncalled for and if it gets earlier like you plan we will homeschool or flat out miss till the 3rd week

Build in enough snow days so we can get out in May.

I would like for Fall Break to consist of a Thurs., Fri., and Mon.

I world like us to use online learning for make up snow days

If it is a possibility for consideration, I would like to see a stronger push to start high school later in the day, as we have tried to do in the past. I may be wrong, but I sense that we haven't had much success convincing the community on this, which is why we haven't enacted it, despite most research saying this is beneficial for students. School should start on a Wednesday. It provides teachers and students with an "ease-in" period after summer break. Likewise, I really appreciate having the teacher work days assigned on the first day following a break for the same reason. Please keep doing that.

I would prefer school start later in August than the second week. I know it breaks tradition but having fall break and a short (2 or 3 days) or no spring break would be better. Fall break is a great time to take advantage of the last of summer and the weather is often nasty for spring break. Using spring break to make up for snow days so we can get out of school "on time" would be a great decision as well.

I don't care either way in regard to when the semester ends (before or after December break). Although I love our fall break and definitely think we should have some time off in October, I think we could probably get away with a shorter fall break. Perhaps just 3 days like a Wednesday-Friday and then we could still give the students Monday off and have a TWD on the Monday after fall break.

A long weekend for Fall Break may be beneficial. Building floating days like JCPS to make up snow days will be great.

Attachment B

Our calendar, in my opinion, is much improved over some past years. I like that the students have longer breaks and that parents can plan for long weekends when there's a PD or Election, etc. and not have to come on a Monday and then be out on a Tuesday.

Just because something has always been, doesn't mean it's the best way. Year long school makes sense.

Please have Fall Break during the 1st week of October.

Days off helps teachers better plan and helps children not get burnt out from school.

Would like to see the end of grading periods (qtrs) coincide with major breaks (Fall, Christmas, Spring, Summer) to limit down-time prior to qtr finals. believe 1st qtr this year did coincide with Fall break.. Monthly day off nice, understand need for teacher planning. Maybe a matter of how distributed, Feb 17, Mar 17, May 5 are 4-5 day weekends.

Go back to fall break being the week of Thanksgiving break and early dismissal one day a month.

Hope next year calendar is same as last year...love it!

Would like to see us build in snow days into the calendar or additional time each day for snow days.

I do not like how early the school year starts in August and how late the year ends. At this point they might as well have year round school.

Have you ever thought about year round school? There are many great benefits to this idea.

Is there a way to build in possible snow days? Using teacher planning days as an example?

I feel like there are too many chopped up weeks. Students get no sense of a schedule/routine. Especially seems to hurt the younger ones.

Would like fall break to be the same as surrounding counties so family vacations can be planned

Students should get off school for Good Friday instead of Oaks Day

Fall Break does not need to be a full week. That much time off, that early in the semester, interrupts the teachers' progress at a critical stage of the new year. If the days off are necessary, perhaps you should add a little to the beginning of Christmas Break.

It would be nice if the teacher planning days could be used as make up days for snow days if needed.

You can use the once a month day for snow days or they can get out earlier for the summer I don't think that taking a day off to go to the fair should be excused cause they can go on the weekend if a snow day and you won't use the one day a month to make up for it do like Meade county and send theu r work on internet so they still don't have to have a snow day

I believe one week off for Christmas is good because it takes a lot for the kids to get back into routine. The week of Christmas would be great then take the second week that we normally take and use it for snow days to make up and if there aren't any then they would just get out early. I do like the full week off for fall break also. Thanks

Attachment B

fall break. never had this when i was in school. if we have to have this then make it a 5 day weekend and add the other 2 days to Thanksgiving holiday, a lot of people travel during Thanksgiving

Would like to have Good Friday off. No teacher work days, these are days we could be in school and get out earlier. Other schools around us start later and get out earlier.

If you shaved a few days off for the Christmas break prior to the holiday it would help with possibly getting out of school sooner or not going into June if we have inclement weather on multiple days. The way Christmas falls in 2017, Friday, December 22, that still gives a few days prior to Christmas for travel/shopping. Making the first day back for students on January 3, making January 2 Teacher Planning and off January 1 for the holiday, will still give students 11 days off in a row.

Thank you for the opportunity to voice my opinion. That really speaks for Bullitt County. I am glad my child is in your school system. Thank you.

Fall break does not need to be so long & there should be built in snow days as to keep closing day definitive.

I would like to see either Fall Break shortened (maybe a Friday and Monday off) and/or see those days added to Thanksgiving break since that is a highly travelled holiday. Fall Break happens when staff and students are into a routine.

A short break in the fall is nice but it may not need to be a full week.

take away teacher planning days, those days a very difficult to find babysitters for working parents.

I do not care for the Teacher Work Days. I would rather get out of school earlier at the end of the year than to have the Teacher Planning Days. Also, I LOVE having a full week off for Fall Break, but again, I'd rather get out earlier at the end of the year, so maybe making fall break a little bit shorter would be better. I think it is very important that the semester ends before Christmas Break. Having a new semester and fresh start is good after the long holiday break.

Enough with all of the unnecessary "teacher planning days"!

I think school should start after labor day weekend. The kids do not need fall break. Use these days at the end of the school year.

having that extra day off after a week or more break is too much.

We need Thurby off!

It would be more beneficial to start the school year on the 3rd week of August.

Start school after the KY State Fair so we can have a full summer with our kids. They also learn in play and travel.

I pray this bill not allowing school to start before Labor Day does not pass....

I like this years calendar. Please leave a full week for the fall break. Thank you.

I prefer to see summer vacation time last longer and less time off for Fall and/or Christmas break. I would rather have an extra week of summer vacation time than to have a Fall break at all. Too much

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interruption in learning time with long periods of down time during school year, especially for kids that struggle anyway.

I do not find that a full week is needed for fall break maybe just a long weekend. I the board would do away with the Monday's off then maybe the fall break would not be as bad.

Please announce the sched asap. We want to plan a cruise.

I would be nice to have a 2 month break for the summer. Also if there is any snow days to make up then it should be taken off of some of the breaks that they get during the school year.

school ends way too late compared to other districts. Eastern KY has much more snow days than BC. They start later than we do and get out at least a week earlier. Homework is burning our kids out. We shouldn't be going to school in June. And need to get back to the old days starting closer to September.

I think BCPS does a good job with their school calendar. Last year we were in JCPS and I didn't agree with some ways they did off days. Keep up the good work!

Fall break should be towards the end of October. And spring break should fall end of March.

Has the county considered following programs of other counties in the state where all students are given chrome books and then upon a snow day they are given their assignments and allowed to complete their work within 5 - 7 days. If the majority of students do this, then the day is not counted as a snow day and therefore does not have to be made up at the end of the school year. Taylor County schools follow a program like this and have been for a few years. It seems to work very well and allows students the downtime they need during the summer.

The students already miss a day of school each month for teacher planning day. I don't understand the other "planning" day they miss school for. I completely understand why they miss for teacher planning day so the teachers can all be on same schedule. But once a month is a little excessive.

Has anyone expressed interest in going to year round schooling? How many snow days are built into the calendar year?

We still think spring break should be at Easter time. ... Fall break at Thanksgiving.

I really feel the students (and Parents) would benefit much more from a year round school model. We are no longer such a farming society that we need our children off 2.5 months in the summer to help us work the land. I feel they lose a lot of what they've learned and when school does start back the first several weeks are spent refreshing what was lost. They should be in school 170 of 365 days not 170 of 285 days per year. Children do best with routine and consistency. I feel year round schooling would improve student performance and attendance (because they get more frequent breaks).

I don't like that they have a teacher day tacked on to the end of fall/spring/Christmas break. Fall/Spring breaks could be similar to Jefferson County where students get the Thursday through Monday off so they are really only missing 3 school days. Christmas break should be Dec 22nd to Jan 2nd (depending on where the day falls each year) I think 2 weeks off is a little long. I prefer the kids have a longer summer than a bunch of days in the winter.

I don't 100% disagree with Fall Break - I just don't think it needs to be a full week off of school.

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It is very important to me to have one day off every month. When there is a snow make up day in March, it makes for a very long month. Usually that day is a day I have scheduled something and I end up having to take it off.

Start school in late August or September. There is no need to end the school year in May.

I wish we had an alternate system for snow days. Many districts are using the work from home school days when there are snow days.

Kids need to be kids and have a decent amount of summer! You all are too concerned about keeping them as long as you can and then getting them started back as soon as possible! Summer is important to family! They need this time !

Year-round school? Why so many teacher in service days. Use those days as school days to lessen impact of snow days.

I do not understand why there is a day off each month and a fall break, which we did not have when i was young, but my children have to begin doing classwork as soon as they get off the bus at school. This means, the bell has not rang to begin school, my children are eating breakfast, and they have to complete classwork. Is this time included in the total hours needed each year for school? If the bus is late arriving at school, they do get to eat breakfast, but have a missing assignment that was assigned before the bell rang to begin class for the day and was due as soon as the bell rang.

It's best to have spring and fall breaks not be the same as Jefferson County or surrounding areas so that vacations from work can be taken a different times. Also to reduce crowding at public attractions such as zoo, etc.

Would like a non-school day for the day after 10/31.

Would rather start school as late as possible in August. Don't really care about getting out for summer before the end of May or first week of June. Thanks for asking for our input!!

I love having the teacher planning days; great adjustment after a break for us to be prepared for students. Great use of time to discuss instructional needs and complete must-dos.

I don't like having an entire week off before Christmas. I'd rather go to Dec 22 or so and come back later in January than be out Dec 16 and return January 2. People need more time AFTER Christmas than before.

Would prefer to move the Fall Break to coincide with the end of 3rd and beginning of the 4th nine week marking period to give students and staff a winter mental break.

I feel like it would be better to extend Thanksgiving break and eliminate Fall break. We have a lot of days off between the start of school and Christmas break. The students are still working hard at the time of Fall break. We struggle in February and at the end of school when we are making up snow days.

I know that having the semester end before Christmas break means starting school the 1st week of August. I think school shouldn't start before Labor Day. I think Martin Luther King Jr day, President's day, 1 week for Spring Break, 3 days for Thanksgiving & 2 weeks for Christmas are enough.

You all do a great job. I like starting a little earlier and out on summer break sooner. Thank you.

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I like the current school year calendar, so if it stays like that forever that would be great!

I liked this year's schedule.

i want to be able to have my kids off the day after halloween also i think kids should have fridays off instead of mondays

I think Teacher Work Days should be used for teachers to actually work and not be in meetings all day. These days could also be used as parent/teacher conference days.

Fall Break Is entirely too long !

I like a long weekend for fall break, not necessarily the whole week.

Please DO NOT get rid of fall break.

Teachers need the planning days to not have to rush after school. To be prepared is best for our children. Well thought out ideas and relieves teachers.

It seems like kids are getting too many extended breaks. As soon as they are back in the swing of classes, homework, etc., they are out for a four day weekend or longer, getting them off schedule. One day off a month, whether holiday or for a teacher planning day is sufficient.