

ALIGNMENT OF SCHOOL CALENDAR OPTIONS WITH PRINCIPLES

*How well do the options **meet the calendar principles**?*

Option 1	Option 2	Calendar Principles
✓	✓	Consider the impact on instruction
✓	✓	Open schools after Labor Day
✓	✓	Minimize Saturday workdays
✓	✗(Nov)	Minimize “one-day” student attendance
N/A	N/A	Close schools on Presidential Election Day <i>(may use as teacher workday or in-service training day)</i>
✓	✓	Optimize the effectiveness of staff training by providing the option of an in-service day early in the school year <i>(Principals have the option to schedule their in-service training day as early as November or at the change of the semester.)</i>
✓ (W =8) (S = 5)	✓ (W =8) (S = 5)	Attempt to align winter and spring breaks with neighboring school divisions
✓	✓	Reopen schools the first weekday after New Year’s Day Holiday
✓ (44, 46, 47, 43)	✓ (45, 45, 47, 43)	Strive to maintain 90 student days per semester
✓	✓	Build at least one banked day per semester into the make-up schedule
✓	✓	Schedule graduation as close to weekend as possible
✓	✓	Strive to embed two teacher workdays between semesters while following a 4x4 block scheduling model