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# APS STUDENT CALENDAR PROCESS COMMITTEE

**January 25, 2024**

**Alonzo A. Crim Center for Learning and Leadership**

**6 PM - 7:30 PM**

## Purpose

Create and develop the next block of 3 (three) APS Student Calendars for the 2025-2026, 2026-2027, and 2027-2028 school years (SY) for the APS Board of Education to review and approve

## Goals

- Create 4 (four) APS Student Calendar Options for SY 2025-2026, 2026-2027, & 2027-2028
  - 2 (two) starting August 1
  - 2 (two) starting the Second Week of August

## Roadmap

- Welcome and Introductions of Committee Members
- Connection Activity
- Meeting Norms
- Meeting #1 & #2 Recap
- Create our APS Student Calendar Options

## Takeaways

Finalize the APS Student Calendar Options to Develop

# APS Student Calendar Invited Committee Members

## Core Team Members:

- Carolyn Barnett - Strategy + Engagement
- Dr. Alpachino Hogue - Strategy + Engagement
- Erin Kruger - Performance
- Dr. Dione Simon - Performance
- Dr. Jermain Sumler-Faison - Academics
- Chalanda Tucker - Performance
- Thomas M. Munn - Academics
- Yolanda Weems - Academics

## Deputy Superintendent (Schools, Equity):

- Paul Brown - Schools
- Dr. Patricia Ford - South Atlanta HS
- Dr. Timothy Gadson - Deputy Superintendent
- Ronald Garlington - Young MS
- Shelly Goodrum - Schools
- Dr. Kala Goodwine - Schools
- Dr. Zawadowski Robinson - Hank Aaron Academy
- Joseph Salley - Kimberly ES
- Sedric Smith - Schools
- Dr. Isaac Sparks - Schools
- Matthew Underwood - Schools
- Tommy Usher - Schools
- David White - Burgess-Peterson Academy
- Dr. Tasharah Wilson - Atlanta College + Career Academy
- Dr. Margul Retha Woolfolk - Schools

## Academics:

- Dr. Margaret McKenzie - Multilingual Programs + Services
- Chelsea Montgomery - Student Services

## Chief of Staff:

- Shonda Liddell - Ombudsman

## Communications:

- Will Powell - Communications

## Human Resources:

- Jennifer Lang - Total Rewards + Workforce Management
- Nicole Lawson - Chief Human Resources Officer
- Felecia Lester - Talent Management, Leadership
- Dr. Isis Manboard - Employee Relations
- Jeff Thomas - Risk Management
- Rose Jones - Risk Management

## Operations:

- Robert Palmer - Facilities Services

## Performance:

- Michael Hnesher - Testing + Assessment
- Stephanie Sanders - Innovation, Improvement + Redesign

## Go Team:

- Alicia DeCriscio - Jackson Cluster
- Marsha Leverette - Washington Cluster
- Kristy Perez - Midtown Cluster
- Patia Odom - Therrell Cluster
- Jessica Pope - South Atlanta Cluster
- Keely Sutton - Carver Cluster
- Lizzy Wickland - North Atlanta Cluster
- Tinia Wismer - North Atlanta Cluster

## District Teacher of the Year Finalists

- Taylor Richardson - Elementary
- Anitra Medlock - Middle
- Kimberly Jenkins - High

## Community Members:

- Kara Stimpson - Big Brother Big Sister
- Michael Lamont - Boys and Girls Club
- Delicia Lucky - Emory Reads
- Toya Russell - Girls of Excellence
- Kacey Venning - HEY! Help Empower Youth
- Jim Walsh - Elevate Atlanta



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## Tips to support your team's survey completion:

- The survey is for full time employees.
- Mention value and allow time in upcoming team meeting.
- Mention value and allow time during Professional Learning sessions.
- Remind staff that the survey is anonymous.
- Let them know that their input on the survey is valuable information to improve the workplace culture at your school.

# Connection Activity

# APS Student Calendar Committee Norms

## Norms

Equity of Voice

Active Listening

Safety To Share Different Perspectives

Confidentiality

Commit to Each Other

# Meeting #1 and #2 Recap

## Data Review

- Past and Current APS Calendars (SY 16-17 to SY 24-25)
- Survey Data (6,067 responses)
- Other Considerations + Emerging Data

## Calendar Options

- First Day August 1
- First Day Second Week of August



# Calendar Development Groups

## Groups

- August 1 or Second Week in August Start Date

## Handouts:

- Stakeholder Feedback
- Blank SY 26, 27, & 28 Calendars
- Major Religious Observances/Holidays
- School District Student Calendars
  - APS
  - Clayton
  - Cobb
  - DeKalb
  - Fulton

# APS Student Calendar Parameters

- 180 Total Instructional Days for the School Year
- Semester 1 end before December Break
  - Same number of days per semester, as close as possible
- Semester 2 begin January and end before Memorial Day
  - Same number of days per semester, as close as possible
- Student Breaks throughout the Year
- Professional Learning Options for Staff
  - Including pre and post planning
- Last Day of Instruction in May

# Proposed Next Steps

## Next Meeting Dates

- Thursday, February 1, 2024; 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM
  - Consensus on 3 Draft APS Student Calendar Options for each year

## Review Student Calendar Data

- Continue to review the APS Student Calendar Parameters and Options and bring back any questions you may have

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