Title 13A
State Board of Education
Subtitle 02: Local School Administration
Chapter 01: Local Boards of Education
Education Article 7-103
Annotated Code of Maryland

.04 Length of the School Year

- A. Schools shall be open a minimum of 180 days per year. In implementing Education Article, §7-103, Annotated Code of Maryland, a waiver of the 180-day requirement will be granted by the State Board of Education to local school systems only when:
 - (1) The demonstrate that sufficient effort has been made through calendar planning and modification; and
 - (2) Natural or civil disasters or severe weather conditions are sufficiently significant to warrant waiver.
- B. The closing of individual schools does not require a waiver by the State Board of Education but may be granted by permission of the State Superintendent of Schools upon request of the local superintendent of schools.
- C. Application for Waiver
 - (1) In the required written application for waiver of school days, it shall be determined that:
 - a. The local school system developed a calendar which included days to be used to make up days lost. Depending upon past experience, this number could range from 3-10 days throughout the State. The local school system calendar shall have identified those potential make-up days which could have been used as student days when calendar modification becomes necessary; that is, make-up days, student vacation days, etc.
 - b. The local school system has modified its calendar by scheduling school on the make-up days provided in the original calendar and by extending the school year 5 days beyond the previously scheduled closing date.
 - (2) In considering this application, the State Board of Education may waive:
 - a. The final day needed to complete the 180-day schedule if that day falls on a Monday;
 - b. Additional days beyond those specified in § C (1) (b) of this regulation that would have to be added to the calendar to complete a 180-day schedule.

*Legal holidays include: Thanksgiving Day and the day after; Christmas Eve through January 1st; Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday; Presidents' Day; Good Friday and Easter Monday; Memorial Day; Primary and General Election Days.

	August 2017-PRE Labor Day Start							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
		1	2	3	4	5		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
13	14	15	16 1st Day for Teachers AM-School Based Prof. Dev. PM-Teacher Work Time	AM-Convocation PM- School Based Prof. Dev	Supervisor System wide Professional Development	19		
20	Teacher Work Time	SCHOOLS OPEN 3-hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time	23	24	25	26		
27	28	PRE-K AND K BEGINS	30	31		S= 8 T= 12 S= 8/180 T= 12/190		

September 2017							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
					1	2	
3	4	_	5 th and 7 th Grade	e Outdoor School		9	
	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Labor Day						
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
		5 th	and 7 th Grade Outdoor	School			
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
			5 th Grade Outdoor Sch	l ool			
				Rosh Hashanah			
24	25	26 SCHOOLS CLOSED- Parent Conference Day Elem. 8:00-3:30; Sec. 10:00-5:30	27	28	29	30 Yom Kippur S= 19 T= 20	
		I	5 th Grade Outdoor Sch	ool I		S= 27/180 T= 32/190	

October 2017							
Sunday	Mondo	ıy Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
			5 th Grade Outdoor School				
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
	Г		5 th Grade Outdoor Scho	ol			
	Columbus [Day	Reality Fair				
15	16	17 SCHOOLS CLOSED SUPERVISOR STAFF DEVELOPMENT	18 PSAT Testing	19	MSEA Convention	21	
22	23	24	25	Close of 1st Marking Period (45 days)	3-hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time (No Breakfast Served) If school is closed on this day, the make-up day will be the next full day of school.	28	
29	30	31 Halloween				S= 21 T= 22 S= 48/180 T= 54/190	

November 2017							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
			1	2	3	4	
Daylight Savings Time Ends	Focus on the Future (Set up	Report Cards Distributed Focus on the Future (BR & MS)	Focus on the Future (WA & WM)	9	10	11 Veteran's Day	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
19	20	21	3-hr Early Dismissal	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Thanksgiving Day	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED	25	
26	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS REOPEN	29	30		S= 19 T= 19 S= 67/180 T= 73/190	

December 2017							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
					1	2	
3	4	5	6	7 Pearl Harbor Day	8	9	
10	11	12	13 Hanukkah	14	15	16	
17	18	19	20	21	3-hr Early Dismissal	23	
24 Christmas Eve	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Christmas	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Kwanzaa	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED	30	
31 New Year's Eve						S= 16 T= 16 S= 83/180 T= 89/190	

	January 2018							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED New Year's Day	SCHOOLS REOPEN	3	4	5	6		
7	8	9	Close of 2 nd Marking Period End of 1 st Sem. (45 days)	3-hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time	12	13		
14	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED MLK Jr Day* Refer to COMAR 7-103, possible snow make-up day	16	17	18	19	20		
21	22	Report Cards Distributed	24	25	26	27		
28	29	30	SCHOOLS CLOSED AM-PRINCIPAL STAFF DEVELOPMENT PM- TEACHER WORK TIME			S= 20 T= 21 S= 103/180 T= 110/180		

February 2018							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
				1	2 Groundhog Day	3	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
11	12 Lincoln's Birthday	13	SCHOOLS CLOSED Parent Conference Day Elementary 8:00-3:30 Parent Conferences Secondary 8:00-11:00 PD 12:00-3:30 Parent Conferences Valentine's Day	15	16	17	
18	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Presidents' Day* Refer to COMAR 7-103, possible snow make-up day Washington's Birthday	20	21	22	23	24	
25	26	27	28			S= 18 T= 19 S= 121/180 T= 129/190	

	March 2018							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
				1	2	3		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
Daylight Savings Time Begins	12	13	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day		
18	19	Close of 3 rd Marking Period (45 Days)	21 3-hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time (No Breakfast Served) If school is closed on this day, the make-up day will be the next full day of school	22	23	24		
25 Palm Sunday	26	27	28	3 hr. Early Dismissal	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Good Friday* Refer to COMAR 7-103, possible snow make-up day	31 S= 21 T= 21 S= 142/180 T= 150/190		

April 2018							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1 Easter	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED* Refer to COMAR 7-103, possible snow make-up day	SCHOOLS & OFFICES REOPEN	Reality Fair Report Cards Distributed	5	6	7	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
22 Earth Day	23	24	25	26	27	28	
29	30					S= 20 T= 20 S= 162/180 T= 170/190	

	May 2018							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
		1	2	3	4	5		
			7 th	Grade Outdoor School				
/	-	0	0	10	11	10		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
School Nurse's Day		7 th (Grade Outdoor School					
13 Mother's Day	14	15	16	CCTE CERTIFICATION CEREMONY	18 LAST DAY FOR SENIORS	19 Armed Forces Day		
20	21	FORT HILL GRADUATION	23 ALLEGANY GRADUATION	24	25	26		
27	SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Memorial Day* Refer to COMAR 7-103, possible snow make-up day	29 MOUNTAIN RIDGE GRADUATION Close of 4 th Marking Period (45 days) (Last student day WITHOUT the five days)	(Last Day for Teachers WITHOUT built-in days)	31		S= 22 T= 22 S= 184/180 T= 192/190		

June 2018							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
					STUDENTS' LAST DAY 3-hr Early Dismissal PM-Teacher Work Time (Last student day WITH BUILT IN five days)	2	
3	4 Principal Staff Development	Last Day for Teachers Teacher Work Time (With BUILT IN five days)	6	7	8	9	
10	11	12	13	Reports Cards Mailed Flag Day	15	16	
17 Father's Day	18	19	20	21	22	23	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 S= 1 T= 3 S=185/180 T=195/190	