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Montgomery County Public Schools

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School Board Approved: March 5, 2013

12 MONTH CALENDAR

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Jul 4	Independence Day
Sep 2	Labor Day
Nov 27-29	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 24-26 & 31	Winter Break
Jan 1	New Year's Day
Jan 20	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Feb 17	Virginia Heroes' Day/Presidents' Day
Apr 18 - 21	Spring Break
May 26	Memorial Day
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- Schools closed Paid Holiday/Break for 12 month employees
- Induction workdays for new licensed staff
- Schools open

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- Collaborative planning Early dismissal Grades K-5 (2 1/2 hours early)
- Parent/Teacher conference week (Schools in session)
- Early dismissal All students 2 1/2 hrs early
- X Schools closed Workday for 12 month employees

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*The School Board approved November 27, 2013 as a non-workday for all 12 Month Employees.

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2013-2014 School Calendar Definitions and Explanations

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Student Attendance Days - The General Assembly mandates that the school year must include a minimum of 180 school days per year. The requested length of a school day is at least 5 hours and 30 minutes of instruction or 990 hours of instruction for the school year.

Inclement Weather Make-Up Day Plan - This calendar includes 6 additional days to be used as needed to make up missed school days due to inclement weather or other emergencies. The plan for adjusting the school calendar due to inclement weather is printed below. The school year may be extended if deemed necessary by the School Board.

Banked Time - Instruction in excess of the minimum 5 hour 30 minute day is considered banked time. In Montgomery County, schools accumulate 30 minutes per day (5,400 minutes per year) of banked time. Time associated with scheduled early dismissals, as well as unscheduled early dismissals and delayed openings due to inclement weather, is subtracted from banked time.

The General Assembly allows banked time to be used to make up time lost due to extenuating circumstances such as inclement weather or other emergencies. The Montgomery County School Board believes that learning is enhanced by our slightly longer than required school day and that banked time should only be used as a last resort in making up instructional time.

Teacher Workdays - Days off for students are reserved for teachers in schools for grading exams, preparing grades, developing lesson plans, and for staff development activities.

Parent/Teacher Conference Days - Elementary and Secondary Parent/Teacher Conferences have been scheduled for October 24, 2013 and April 3, 2014. Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled to provide a flexible time frame for teachers to meet in schools with parents to discuss student progress. Schools will have a District Wide Parent/Teacher Conference Day (Schools Closed - Workday for staff) on October 24, 2013 and an Early Dismissal (2 1/2 hours early) for all students on April 3, 2014 to help accommodate these conferences. Schools will remain in session during the conference weeks. Conference times will be arranged by individual schools.

Collaborative Planning/Early Dismissal Days for K-5 Students - Early dismissal days for K-5 students are scheduled to provide collaborative planning time for elementary teachers.

Paid Holidays for Employees - Paid holidays, per current policy, include Independence Day (July 4), Labor Day (September 2), Thanksgiving (November 28-29), Winter Break (December 24, 25, 26 & 31), New Year's Day (January 1), Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (January 20), Virginia Heroes' Day/Presidents' Day (February 17), Spring Break (April 18 & 21), and Memorial Day (May 26).

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Inclement Weather Make-Up Day Plan
If 0 days are missed the last day of school will be on Thu., June 12, 2014.
If 1 day is missed the last day of school will be on Fri., June 13, 2014.
If 2 days are missed the last day of school will be on Mon., June 16, 2014.
If 3 days are missed the last day of school will be on Tue., June 17, 2014.
If 4 days are missed the last day of school will be on Wed., June 18, 2014.
If 5 days are missed the last day of school will be on Thu., June 19, 2014.
If 6 days are missed the last day of school will be on Fri., June 20, 2014.
If more than 6 days are missed, banked time may be used as provided by Sec. 22.1098 of the Code of Virginia.