

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
Consent Agenda
April 15, 2021

MISSISSIPPI SCHOOLS FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND

B. Approval of adjusted 2020-2021 calendar for the Mississippi Schools for the Deaf and the Blind

On August 27, 2021, the State Board voted to allow all school districts to operate for less than 180 days by providing a ten (10) day waiver in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 37-13-63(2).

The Mississippi Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (MSDB) delayed the start of school until September 8, 2021 due to COVID factors.

The last day of school was scheduled for June 18, 2021, to follow the 180-day school requirement.

Because MSDB is a Special State School serving students who are deaf, hard of hearing, blind, visually impaired, or deafblind, our student population consists of special education students, many of whom qualify for Extended School Year (ESY).

MSDB is transitioning operationally from under the Mississippi Department of Education, effective July 1, 2021. In order to provide ESY services and handle the fiscal processes related to ESY, MSDB is requesting to adjust the current school year calendar to 170 days, ending on June 4, 2021. Under this adjusted calendar, MSDB will be able to provide ESY services and ensure a smooth fiscal process to make the transition as required on July 1, 2021.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

2020-2021 School Calendar

Mississippi Schools for the Deaf and the Blind

1253 Eastover Drive
Jackson, MS 39211

August 2020						
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Aug 31 - Sept 4	Professional Development
Sept 7	Labor Day
Sept 8	First Day of School
Oct 12	Columbus Day
Oct 13	Professional Development
Nov 11	End of first 9 weeks
Nov 23-24	On-Line Learning Days
Nov 25-27	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 21 - Jan 1	Winter Break
Jan 4	Professional Development
Jan 18	MLK, Jr. Day
Feb 3	End of second 9 weeks
Feb 8	First Day of Spring Semester
Mar 15 - 19	Spring Break
April 2	Good Friday
April 15	End of third 9 weeks
May 31	Memorial Day
June 4	End of fourth 9 weeks



Changes



Staff Schedule


August 3	First day for 10 and 11 month staff
August 31	First day for 9 month staff
June 18	Last day for 9 month staff
June 23	Last day for 10 month staff
July 14	Last day for 11 month staff

NO changes made to the schedule above for staff

February 2021						
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 School Closed
 Classes Resume

 Professional Development (no school for students)
 First and Last day of School

 On-line learning days