Revisiting the FCS School Calendars: 2022-2023

January 10, 2022

Since our district calendars are created almost 1.5 years in advance, collaboration with other districts is difficult. As other districts began to release their calendars for the 2022-2023 school year, we realized that there was a misinterpretation of the NC School Calendar law regarding the start date for the school year. To be in compliance with the law, changes to the traditional calendar were necessary.

Calendar Planning

Upon further review, changes to the 2022-2023 school calendars are necessary to be in compliance with the NC School Calendar Law.

As a reminder, there are 4 rules that all school calendars must follow:

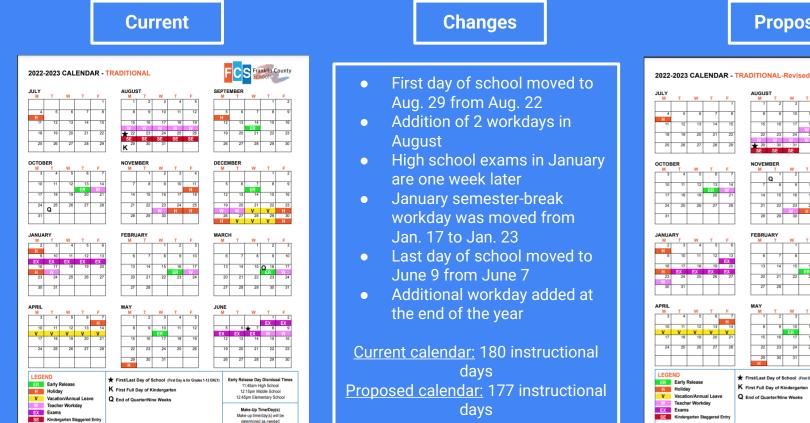
- School must have a start date no earlier than the Monday closest to August 26 (does not apply to year-round schools or Early College)
- School must end no later than the Friday closest to June 11 (again, does not apply to yearround schools or Early College)
- School calendars must contain 185 days OR 1,025 hours of instruction
- 10-month staff must work 215 days

Because the approved calendar does not meet all 4 requirements, we must make changes.

Revised DRAFT Calendar Recommendations

- Traditional
- Year-Round
- Early College

Traditional Calendar



Proposed















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K First Full Day of Kindergarten

Q End of Quarter/Nine Weeks





Make-Up Time/Day(s) Make-up time/dav(s) will be determined as needed

Year-Round Calendar

SEPTEMBE

DECEMBER

MARCH

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JUNE

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Early Release Day Dismissal Times

11:45am High School

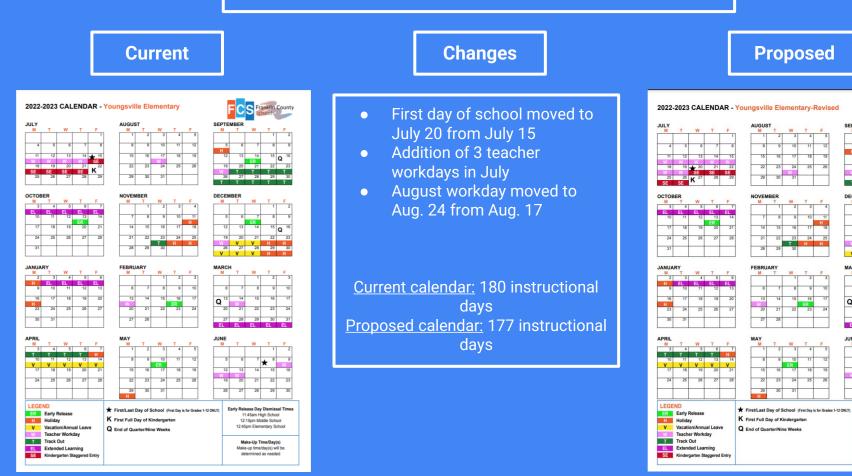
12:15pm Middle School

12:45pm Elementary School

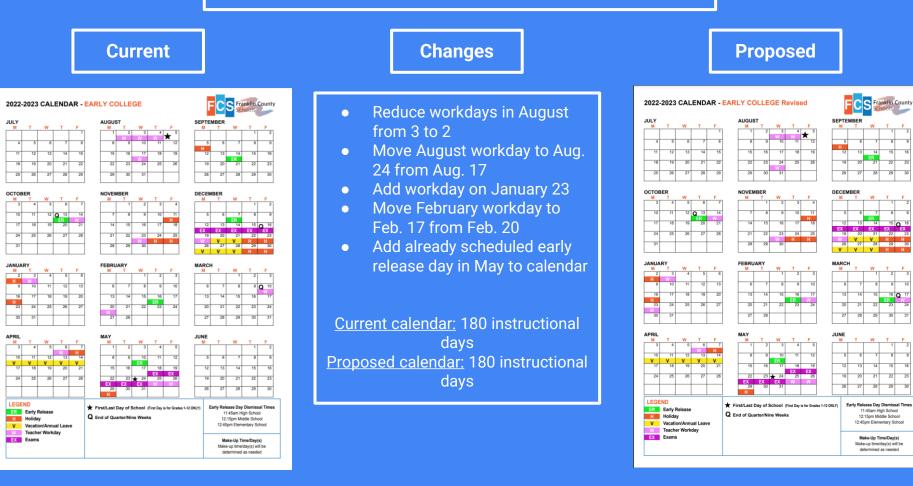
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Early College Calendar



Additional information regarding proposed calendars

- With a firm start date of August 29 and a firm end date of June 9 (operating within the parameters of calendar law), the district has little to no flexibility with our traditional school calendar. An examination of other districts' calendars demonstrates the same challenges.
- Changes to the year-round and Early College calendar were also made so that early release days and workdays are aligned throughout the district.
- The DRAFT traditional and year-round calendars have 177 days of instruction. We are still in compliance with the requirement of 1,025 instructional hours despite the reduction in instructional days. Early College continues to have 180 instructional days as they have a shorter instructional day than traditional and year-round.
- Teachers are gaining three additional workdays in the revised calendar.
- Winter Break remains intact.

Seeking BOE Approval

2022-2023 School Calendars

Recommendation for BOE consideration:

<u>The adoption of the proposed 2022-2023 traditional, year-round and Early</u> <u>College calendars</u>

Next Steps

In February, we will bring a recommendation for all 2023-2024 calendars. The traditional calendar option presents the same challenges as 2022-2023. The current traditional and year-round draft calendars have 177 instructional days.