



# School Calendar Updates

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## Update to Year-Round Calendar, 2023-2024



Per a legislative update received in Summer 2022, all year-round school calendars must meet additional requirements for compliance:

- All quarters must be between 43-47 days.
- All student breaks (track-out/intersession) must be between 14-18 days.
- All student breaks must begin immediately after the conclusion of a grading period/quarter.

*Therefore, the 2023-2024 Youngsville Elementary calendar does not meet the above requirements. Changes are necessary.*





## Changes to Year-Round Calendar, 2023-2024



Fortunately, the necessary changes are minimal:

- **The first day of school must shift from July 19 to July 17.**
- This will create quarters of 43, 45, 47, and 44 days. (179 total days)
- All student breaks will begin immediately after the conclusion of a grading period/quarter.
- Spring break dates and the last day of school will remain the same.





## Recommendation:

Approve the revised Youngsville Elementary 2023-2024 calendar to reflect a new start date of July 17, 2023.



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## Consideration #1

Spring Break is traditionally the week after Easter. Good Friday is identified as a holiday and students and staff are out the following week.

- To meet the legislative requirements for year-round schools in 2024-2025, Spring Break cannot fall the week after Easter. This may create a hardship for traditional/year-round families as Spring Break schedules will not align.





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## Consideration #2

Spring Break is traditionally the week after Easter. Good Friday is identified as a holiday and students and staff are out the following week.

- In the 2024-2025 calendar, Easter falls especially late-April 20. If Spring Break continues the week after, students and staff will not return to school until April 28. A return to school late in April may pose challenges for state assessments, AP exams, and course review prior to EOCs and EOGs.
- Even if Spring Break is moved to the week before Easter, YR and traditional calendars will not have a common Spring Break.





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## Consideration #3

Currently, there is proposed legislation in the General Assembly to provide schools with more calendar flexibility. Since the outcome of this legislation is unknown, waiting until we have a better picture of potential calendar options may be best.





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Therefore, a recommendation for the 2024-2025 school calendars will come later this Spring when additional guidance/revised legislation is provided to school districts.

