
Pleased find attached the **DRAFT Calendar** (secondary and elementary), being proposed for the 2018-2019 school year.

This information is being shared with the school community, including School Council, as soon as possible to ensure an opportunity for feedback through the principal to Senior Administration.

With our large area, the many communities and three other District School Boards with whom we need to coordinate calendars, this is always a complex process and your suggestions will assist us by providing the data necessary for setting the calendar. Using the feedback from the consultation, we may combine options, ideas, and compromises to create a 2018-2019 school year calendar. The boards will work to a consensus once the consultation process has been completed.

1. Information Regarding the **Draft** Calendars:

Professional Activity Days:

September 28, 2018	Professional Activity Day
October 26, 2018	Professional Activity Day
November 26 or 30, 2018	Professional Activity day
February 1, 2019	P* Assessment (Elementary Report Card Preparation)
April 5, 2019	Professional Activity Day
May 17, 2019	Professional Activity Day
June 14, 2019	P* Assessment (Elementary Report Card Preparation)

- As part of the consultation process with the other three coterminous Boards, ADSB is looking for feedback on the scheduling of the Professional Activity Days:
 - The two options for the third Professional Day are November 26, 2018 or November 30, 2018
 - We are looking for feedback on scheduling PD Days on Mondays. What are the advantages and disadvantages of Monday PD Days as compared to Friday PD Days? What is your preference?

Note:

ADSB recognizes that there are 194 professional school days between August 31, 2018 and June 30, 2019. There must be at least 194 school days in a school year calendar of which no more than seven can be professional activity days.

2. March Break

- March Break has been set by the Ministry for the week of March 11 to March 15, 2019.

3. Other Relevant Days

- Students and staff begin classes on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 after Labour Day.
- The last day of classes for students is June 28, 2019.
- Staff are in school until June 28, 2019, which is the last day of school.

4. Christmas Break

- The Ministry of Education has set the Christmas Break from Monday, December 24, 2018 to Friday, January 4, 2019.
(*Last Day of Classes: Friday, December 21, 2018 | Classes Resume: Monday, January 7, 2019*).

5. Survey Monkey Link

Please use the following link <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/adsbschoolyearcal2019> to provide your electronic input by **Monday, January 29, 2018**. The link to the survey will also be available on the board website.

6. To view draft calendars follow the link <http://www.adsb.on.ca/Pages/schoolcalendar.aspx>

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