

## Amended School Calendar (2021–2022)

The 2021-2022 academic school year is from August 1, 2021, to July 31, 2022.

The regular school term shall begin on Thursday, September 2, 2021, and shall end on Thursday, June 30, 2022.

The 2021-2022 school calendar has been updated to reflect the recognition of Truth and Reconciliation Day by the Province of Nova Scotia. The start and end dates for the 2021-2022 school year remain unchanged.

The following holidays and vacation days are mandatory:

2021-22

- Labour Day (September 6)
- Truth and Reconciliation Day (September 30)
- Thanksgiving Day (October 11)
- Remembrance Day (November 11)
- Holiday Break (December 22 to January 3 inclusive)
- Heritage Day (February 21)
- Spring Break (March 14 to March 18 inclusive)
- Good Friday (April 15)
- Easter Monday (April 18)
- Victoria Day (May 23)

### General

All students are required to be present on the first instructional day of the school year. Where closing exercises are held for any school, they shall not be held prior to the evening of the 193<sup>rd</sup> day.

Of the 195 teaching days, no more than eight (8) days may be used for organizational and/or administrative purposes or for in-service training programs in accordance with the provisions of the Governor in Council Education Act Regulations, the Ministerial Education Act Regulations, and the Teachers' Provincial Agreement. In addition, two, one-half days may be used for purposes of parent-teacher meetings.

All teachers are required to be present on the days used for organizational and administrative purposes, in-service training programs, and parent-teacher meetings. Students are not required to be present on these days.

No more than nine (9) days in the school year may be allocated for examination purposes. Final examinations for grades 10–12 shall not begin prior to the five (5) days immediately preceding the end of the first semester and not prior to the 187<sup>th</sup> day of the school year.

A school, due to unusual circumstances, may wish to implement a school calendar that does not conform in all respects with the preceding provisions. Notwithstanding these provisions, the school may submit a request, through the regional centre for education/CSAP to the Regional Education Officer assigned to them.

Originally signed by

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