



# San Diego Unified

## SCHOOL DISTRICT

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**2016-17 Proposed Calendar Changes**

**Community Advisory Committee for  
Special Education**

**March 12, 2015**

# Calendar Background

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- ❑ District Calendar Committee, which is composed of site administrators, staff (certificated and classified), and parents, made recommendations for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 calendar.
- ❑ The Calendar Committee recommended a pre-Labor Day start to both the 2015-16 and 2016-17 school years.

# Status Update



- ❑ At the December 9, 2014 Board of Education meeting, the 2015-16 academic calendar was adopted, to begin on September 8, 2015 (after Labor Day Holiday).
- ❑ For 2016-17, the Board of Education directed staff to share information with the community to gather feedback regarding the proposed pre-Labor Day start date.
- ❑ Additionally, a phone survey was conducted on November 20<sup>th</sup> and November 23<sup>rd</sup> in various languages (English, Spanish, Tagalog, Arabic, and Vietnamese).

# Input on 2016-17



- ❑ At the December 9, 2014 Board meeting, the Board asked staff to conduct outreach and gather input to return with a recommendation within 90 days regarding the 2016-17 calendar.
- ❑ The District Calendar Committee recommended an August 29, 2016 start date.
- ❑ The second date under consideration for starting the 2016 school year is September 6, 2016.

# August 29 Start Date: Traditional Calendar



SAN DIEGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PROPOSED 2016-17 TRADITIONAL ACADEMIC CALENDAR  
AUGUST 29 START DATE

	M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F	TOTALS	
JULY					1	4	5	6	7	8	11	12	13	14	15	18	19	20	21	22	25	26	27	28	29	Jul	
AUGUST	1	2	3	4	5	8	9	10	11	12	15	16	17	18	19	22	23	24	25	26	29	30	31			Aug	3
SEPTEMBER				1	2	5	6	7	8	9	12	13	14	15	16	19	20	21	22	23	26	27	28	29	30	Sep	21
OCTOBER	3	4	5	6	7	10	11	12	13	14	17	18	19	20	21	24	25	26	27	28	31					Oct	21
NOVEMBER		1	2	3	4	7	8	9	10	11	14	15	16	17	18	21	22	23	24	25	28	29	30			Nov	16
DECEMBER				1	2	5	6	7	8	9	12	13	14	15	16	19	20	21	22	23	26	27	28	29	30	Dec	12
JANUARY	2	3	4	5	6	9	10	11	12	13	16	17	18	19	20	23	24	25	26	27	30	31				Jan	20
FEBRUARY			1	2	3	6	7	8	9	10	13	14	15	16	17	20	21	22	23	24	27	28				Feb	18
MARCH			1	2	3	6	7	8	9	10	13	14	15	16	17	20	21	22	23	24	27	28	29	30	31	Mar	18
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JUNE				1	2	5	6	7	8	9	12	13	14	15	16	19	20	21	22	23	26	27	28	29	30	Jun	10
																										Total	180

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# September 6 Start Date: Traditional Calendar



SAN DIEGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PROPOSED 2016-2017 TRADITIONAL ACADEMIC CALENDAR  
SEPTEMBER 6 START DATE

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JULY					1	4	5	6	7	8	11	12	13	14	15	18	19	20	21	22	25	26	27	28	29	Jul	0
AUGUST	1	2	3	4	5	8	9	10	11	12	15	16	17	18	19	22	23	24	25	26	29	30	31			Aug	0
SEPTEMBER				1	2	5	6	7	8	9	12	13	14	15	16	19	20	21	22	23	26	27	28	29	30	Sep	19
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# August 29<sup>th</sup> Start Date: Year Round



SAN DIEGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PROPOSED 2016-17 YEAR-ROUND ACADEMIC CALENDAR  
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# Comparison of Start Dates



August 29, 2016	September 6, 2016
Extensive advanced noticing and information sharing will be needed	Status quo with post-Labor Day start
Change could result in possible loss of ADA if parents choose to follow traditional start date of post-Labor Day. Possible delay in final classroom counts (First year only)	Observes traditional start of school year for SD Unified. No impact to ADA. Final classroom counts would still be completed by third Friday
Instructional benefits include more time for preparation for A.P. exams in high school	Elementary, middle schools do not take AP exams.
Special Education students on Extended School Year (ESY) would have one less week of summer break. (First year only)	Special Education students on ESY would maintain the regular summer break time off.
Weeks for summer break for traditional calendar schools remains unchanged.	Summer break for year-round calendar schools is shortened by one week. (Spring Break is increased by one week)
180 instructional days. Traditional calendar schools end June 14, 2017. Year-round schools end July 21, 2017.	180 instructional. Traditional calendar schools end June 21, 2017. Year-round schools end July 21, 2017.
No instructional minutes lost for military family students.	Military families may be transferred prior to the end of school, resulting in lost instructional minutes.

# Benefits of August Start Date

as determined by the District Joint Calendar Committee



- ❑ Aligns the district calendar with the majority of school districts across San Diego County. 38 of the 42 districts in the county start school in July or August.
- ❑ Properly prepares our students for success on the Advanced Placement (AP) tests. AP tests are administered the same two weeks in May every year so the district needs to make sure our students have the same amount of teaching time as students across the county and the country.
- ❑ Aligns the district calendar more closely with the San Diego Community College District and other university academic calendars, expanding opportunities for other high school students to participate in other early summer special enrichment programs or pre-collegiate classes
- ❑ Students who participate in fall sports, including: football, field hockey, water polo, and cross country, begin training in August to be competitive with the other districts that start school in August. In essence, their summer break is already over.
- ❑ Provides students looking for summer employment/internships equal access to these opportunities as students in other districts.
- ❑ Not being tied to the definitive start date of the day after Labor Day provides flexibility for the end of the school year so it does not end on a Monday
- ❑ Facilitates easier transition for military families.

# Climate Considerations



- According to the Western Regional Climate Center from July 1, 1939 through January 19, 2015, the average temperatures by month are below:

Average Temperature by Month (max/min) in Fahrenheit	Average Temperature by Month (max/min) in Fahrenheit
<b>January:</b> Avg. Max: 64.8 F / Avg. Min: 48.1 F	<b>July:</b> Avg. Max: 74.8 F / Avg. Min: 64.4 F
<b>February:</b> Avg. Max: 65.2 F / Avg. Min: 49.7 F	<b>August:</b> Avg. Max: 76.3 F / Avg. Min: 65.7 F
<b>March:</b> Avg. Max: 65.9 F / Avg. Min: 51.9 F	<b>September:</b> Avg. Max: 75.7 F / Avg. Min: 63.9 F
<b>April:</b> Avg. Max: 67.4 F / Avg. Min: 54.7 F	<b>October:</b> Avg. Max: 72.9 F / Avg. Min: 59.3 F
<b>May:</b> Avg. Max: 68.6 F / Avg. Min: 58.1 F	<b>November:</b> Avg. Max: 69.9 F / Avg. Min: 52.9 F
<b>June:</b> Avg. Max: 70.9 F / Avg. Min: 60.8 F	<b>December:</b> Avg. Max: 65.8 F / Avg. Min: 48.7 F

Source: <http://www.wrcc.dri.edu/cgi-bin/cliMAIN.pl?ca7740>

# Air Conditioning Update



Excessive heat in August is often a concern for parents, staff and administrators. Air conditioning is being installed in classrooms across the district to ensure students and staff are more comfortable in our unpredictable hot weather days.

As of September 2014 the following is on track:

- 17 schools have been completed
- 11 schools were undergoing installation
- 16 schools initiated the installation process in October
- It is projected that the remaining schools in the 2,000 Classroom A/C Project will be completed by September 2015.

Additional air conditioning installations will be completed by August 2016.

# Feedback



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## □ Stakeholder feedback:

- Based on information reviewed, what is your feedback about an August 29<sup>th</sup> (Pre-Labor Day) start date for 2016?
- What considerations should staff take into account when recommending the 2016-17 calendar?
- Any additional feedback you would like to offer? Complete input form, also available online at [www.sandi.net/calendarchanges](http://www.sandi.net/calendarchanges) (English and Spanish).

# Information or Questions

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