

**F.O.I. Compliance** – Subject to Committee approval

**SUPERVISION DISTRICT COMMITTEE**

August 04, 2020

**Special Meeting – REMOTE MEETING held**

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<b>Attendance:</b>	<u>Supervision District Comm.</u>		<u>Administration:</u>		<u>Other</u>
(√ = attended)	Kate Sandmann	√	Brian White	√	
	David Fitzgibbons	√	Kristina Martineau	√	
	Loretta McCluskey	√	Kelly Sterner	√	
	Lon Seidman	√	Sarah Smalley	√	
	Charlene Fearon	√	Jennifer Nucci	√	
	Miriam Morrissey	√			
	Jane Cavanaugh	√			
	Robert Ferretti	√			
	John Stack	√			
	Tom Englert				
	Paula Weglarz	√			
	DG Fitton	√			

Call To Order: approx. 4:00 p.m.

**Public Comment:** No comments were made

**Items/Discussion:**

Superintendent White presented recommendations for revisions to the 2020-21 District School Calendar. These revisions are regarding COVID-19 related reopening considerations and in accordance with action taken by the State Board of Education to allow districts to provide for extra days of specialized Professional Development for staff prior to the start of school. He is also recommending the first week of school days for students be early-dismissal days.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously VOTED to approve Superintendent White’s recommended revisions to the 2020-21 District School Calendar as attached.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously VOTED to adjourn at approx. 4:24 p.m.

**School Openings & Closings**  
 High School 7:40 AM - 2:23 PM  
 Middle School 7:45 AM - 2:17 PM  
 Elementary Schools 8:25 AM - 3:00 PM

**Regional School District No. 4**  
**Chester, Deep River, & Essex Elementary**  
**Academic Calendar**  
**August 2020-July 2021**

**Early Dismissal Time**  
 High School 12:20 PM  
 Middle School 12:12 PM  
 Elementary Schools 1:00 PM

Encl #1 pls see next  
 two pages for reference

For Possible VOTE by Supv. Dist. on Aug 04, 2020

Proposed revised calendar

**August 2020** <sup>(0)</sup> <sup>(0)</sup>

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**September 2020** <sup>(20)</sup> <sup>(20)</sup>

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**October 2020** <sup>(21)</sup> <sup>(41)</sup>

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**November 2020** <sup>(17)</sup> <sup>(58)</sup>

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**December 2020** <sup>(17)</sup> <sup>(75)</sup>

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**January 2021** <sup>(19)</sup> <sup>(94)</sup>

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Aug 24-31 Professional Development Day (Staff Only-No Students)

September 1 Students' First Day of School (Early Dismissal for ALL Schools)

September 2-4 Early Dismissal for ALL Schools

September 7 Labor Day

September 19 Rosh Hashanah (School Closed if weekday) (Holiday begins sundown the 18th)

September 28 Yom Kippur (School Closed if weekday) (Holiday begins sundown the 27th)

October 12 Columbus Day (School Closed)

October 15-16 Early Dismissal Elem ONLY (gr. K-6) for Parent Conf.

October 21 Early Dismissal for ALL Schools (Prof. Development for Staff)

November 2 End of Quarter Grades 7-12

November 3 Professional Development Day (Staff Only - No Students)

November 11 Veterans Day Observed (School in Session)

November 24 End of Trimester Grades 1-6

November 25-27 Thanksgiving Break (School Closed)

December 23 Early Dismissal for ALL Schools

December 24-31 Holiday Break (School Closed)

December 25 Christmas (School Closed if weekday)

January 1 New Year's Day (School Closed)

January 13 Early Dismissal for ALL Schools (Prof. Development for Staff)

January 18 Martin Luther King's Birthday (School Closed)

January 20 End of Quarter Grades 7-12

February 10 Early Dismissal for ALL Schools (Prof. Development for Staff)

February 15 Presidents Day (School Closed)

February 16 February Break

March 5 End of Trimester Grades 1-6

March 12 Professional Development Day (Staff Only - No Students)

March 18-19 Early Dismissal Elem ONLY (gr. K-6) for Parent Conf.

March 28 - April 3 Passover (Holiday begins sundown the 27th)

March 29 End of Quarter Grades 7-12

April 2 Good Friday (School Closed)

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April 28 Early Dismissal for ALL Schools (Prof. Development for Staff)

May 19 Early Dismissal for ALL Schools (Prof. Development for Staff)

May 31 Memorial Day (School Closed)

June 9 Last Day of School (Early Dismissal ALL Schools)  
 End of Trimester Grades 1-6 / End of Quarter Grades 7-12

June 9 GRADUATION Fixed Date- will not change  
 (early dismissal for VRHS ONLY, if last day of school moves beyond June 9)  
 (177) Total Student Days in accordance w/ State BOE resolution on 07/14/20

- ★ Students' First/Last Day of School
- Professional Development Day No School for Students
- ◇ School Holidays
- School Breaks
- ◇ Early Dismissal Elem. ONLY (gr. K-6) for Parent Conferences
- ▽ Early Dismissal ALL Schools

Date in **BOLD** - End of Quarter Grades for 7-12  
 Date in *italized BOLD* - End of Trimester Grades for 1-6

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**March 2021** <sup>(22)</sup> <sup>(134)</sup>

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**April 2021** <sup>(16)</sup> <sup>(150)</sup>

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**May 2021** <sup>(20)</sup> <sup>(170)</sup>

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**June 2021** <sup>(7)</sup> <sup>(177)</sup>

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**Currently Approved Calendar**

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Revised & approved 12/05/19

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(180) Total Student Days



Students' First/Last Day of School



Professional Development Day  
 No School for Students



School Holidays



School Breaks



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Early Dismissal ALL Schools

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### June 2021 (7) (180)

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Revision Approved Dec. 05, 2019 by Regional Supervision District Committee

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CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Hartford

**TO BE PROPOSED:**

July 14, 2020

WHEREAS, Connecticut General Statutes (C.G.S.) Section 10-15 requires that public schools be in session for at least 180 days during each year; and

WHEREAS, C.G.S. Section 10-15 permits the State Board of Education to authorize the shortening of any school year for a school district, a school, or a portion of a school, on account of an unavoidable emergency; and

WHEREAS, Governor Ned Lamont, on March 10, 2020, declared a public health emergency and civil preparedness emergency in connection with COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, due to these unprecedented circumstances related to this unavoidable public health emergency, and the necessity for school boards to safely prepare to maximize support and instruction during the 2020-2021 school year; now therefore be it:

**RESOLVED**, that the State Board of Education temporarily authorizes for Local and Regional Boards of Education, the Connecticut Technical Education Career System, approved state charter schools, and other similarly situated districts ("School District" or "School Districts"), a waiver of up to a maximum of 3 days from the 180-day requirement set forth in C.G.S. Section 10-15 for unavoidable emergency, limited to instances where the School District uses the days prior to the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year to provide staff and families with additional time to build capacity to safely transition back to in-person services, including but not limited to for the following:

- (1) additional training and professional development days, beyond any typically scheduled days, to adjust to and educate on new requirements or policies related to health and safety in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic;
- (2) time for educators and staff to plan classroom set-up and consider changes to facilities required to maximize safety measures; and/or
- (3) provision of social-emotional services to staff, and training to prepare them to provide that support to students as the community transitions back into school buildings.

The Board directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

Approved by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_, this fourteenth day of July, Two Thousand Twenty.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dr. Miguel A. Cardona, Secretary  
State Board of Education