

# The **BALANCED CALENDAR**

# **BULLETIN**

October 2015

## **Please remember to complete your survey by this Friday!**

The responses are starting to pour in after surveys were sent out to parents, students and staff last week to gain input on intersession programming and thoughts related to the implementation of the Balanced Calendar next school year. Surveys were emailed to parents and staff last week and students are completing the surveys this week at school.

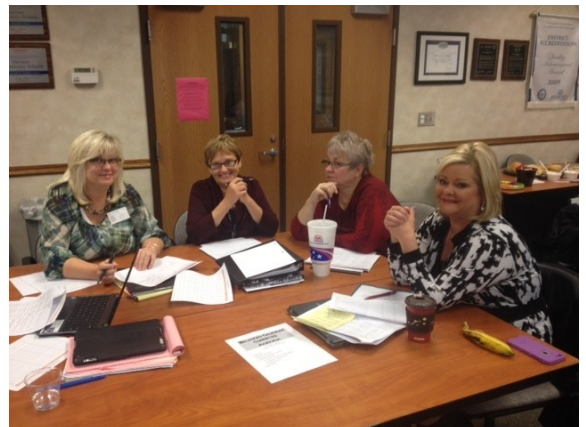
When the District moves to the Balanced Calendar school year, students will have the opportunity to attend three intersessions. These four-day intersessions will be held October 24-27, 2016; February 20-23, 2017; and May 22-25, 2017. Participation is optional and there will be a minimal cost to attend.

The surveys will provide us with more information on what intersession topics will be of interest to students and parents. Respondents are also encouraged to leave comments on any other topics or issues the District may need to consider in the implementation process.

If you haven't already done so, please complete your survey by this Friday, October 30. The survey for parents is at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZBFRYG9>. Thank you for your participation!

## **Committee begins meeting with department heads, staff to consider logistics**

As you can imagine, much planning and effort will be required to ensure a smooth and successful transition from the traditional school calendar to the Balanced Calendar school year. This week, Balanced Calendar Committee members held a work session with department heads, curriculum coordinators and other key DCS staff members to explore how areas such as Transportation, Food Services, Operations, Technology, Early Childhood and other district programs will be affected by the change in calendars. The group brainstormed for nearly two hours to identify considerations and opportunities that the new balanced calendar will provide.



For example, Transportation Supervisor **Mark Fahr** noted that his department will need information earlier in the year in order to map out bus routes while Science/Math Coordinator **Matt Lobban** mentioned that curriculum supplies will need to be ordered earlier to ensure delivery in time for the earlier new school year. In addition to offering additional learning opportunities to students, intersessions may also benefit staff if the district provided professional development sessions on one day of the breaks.

**Hill Elementary Secretary Rane Ratliff, Cardinal's Nest Director Marilyn Strader, Transportation Secretary Tracy Bennett and Early Childhood Learning Coordinator Susan Vamos brainstorm about logistic considerations as the District prepares to implement a Balanced Calendar School Year in 2016-17.**

Next, the Committee will compile the list of considerations so work can begin on resolving potential issues. A master calendar with key dates, such as supply order due dates, cleaning and technology update schedules and deadlines for new school year mailings, will then be identified to assist staff and ensure a smooth implementation. The Committee is set to meet again in early November.

## **District Calendar for 2016-17**

If you want to know when school starts next year (August 22) or are thinking about booking a vacation during one of the intersessions, please note that the 2016-17 District Calendar is posted on our website (under the Parents tab). The calendars are also attached to this edition of the Balanced Calendar Bulletin.

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## 2016/2017 DISTRICT-WIDE BALANCED CALENDAR

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**Total Student Days: 180 Full Days = 180 Student Days**

## 2016/2017 District-Wide Balanced Calendar

August 15, 2016.....	Teacher Work Day
August 16, 2016.....	District PD Day
August 17, 2016.....	Building PD Day
August 22, 2016.....	First Day of School
September 2 & 5, 2016 .....	<b>No School for Students &amp; Teachers</b> Labor Day Break
October 20, 2016 .....	End of First Marking Period
October 21, 2016 .....	<b>No School for Students</b> ½ Teacher PD; ½ Records
October 24 – 27, 2016 .....	Interession I – Optional
October 28, 2016 .....	<b>No School for Students &amp; Teachers</b>
November 10, 2016 .....	<b>No School for Students</b> Parent-Teacher Conferences
November 11, 2016 .....	<b>No School for Students &amp; Teachers</b>
November 24-25, 2016 .....	<b>No School for Students &amp; Teachers</b> Thanksgiving Break
December 23, 2016 – January 2, 2017 .....	<b>No School for Students &amp; Teachers</b> Winter Break
January 13, 2017 .....	End of First Semester
January 16, 2017 .....	<b>No School for Students</b> Teacher Records Day
February 17, 2017.....	<b>No School for Students &amp; Teachers</b>
February 20-23, 2017.....	Interession II – Optional
February 24, 2017.....	<b>No School for Students &amp; Teachers</b>
March 30, 2017 .....	End of Third Marking Period
March 31, 2017 .....	<b>No School for Students</b> Teacher Work Day (½ PD–½ Records Day)
April 3 – 7, 2017 .....	<b>No School for Students &amp; Teachers</b> Spring Break
April 14, 2017.....	<b>No School for Students &amp; Teachers</b> Good Friday
May 22-25, 2017 .....	Interession III - Optional
May 26 & 29, 2017 .....	<b>No School for Students &amp; Teachers</b> Memorial Day Break
June 22, 2017 .....	Half Day for Students
June 23, 2017 .....	Last Day for Students - ½ Day Teachers may be allowed to check out at the end of the day provided they complete all required duties by 4:30 p.m.
June 26, 2017 .....	Last Day for Teachers - ½ Day