

# **KAWARTHA PINE RIDGE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**

## **SPECIAL MEETING OF KAWARTHA PINE RIDGE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**

Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 3:00 p.m.

Roy H. Wilfong Boardroom, Education Centre  
1994 Fisher Drive, Peterborough, Ontario

*Due to the current health advisory, the meeting will be held through  
the WebEx platform.*

### **A G E N D A**

- ITEM 1. **CALL TO ORDER**  
**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**
- ITEM 2. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**
- ITEM 3. **NATIONAL ANTHEM AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE**
- ITEM 4. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
- ITEM 5. **DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**
- ITEM 6. **DECISION REPORT**  
  
6.1 School Year Calendar 2020-2021 - \*\*
- ITEM 7. **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN-CAMERA SESSION**
- ITEM 8. **ADJOURNMENT**

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Note: If unable to attend, please advise Linda Burton, Executive Liaison to the Trustees, at [linda\\_burton@kprdsb.ca](mailto:linda_burton@kprdsb.ca).

TO: KAWARTHA PINE RIDGE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

TOPIC: **School Year Calendar 2020-2021**

INITIATOR: Steve Girardi, Superintendent, Student Achievement/Human Resource Services

## **BACKGROUND**

1. Regulation 304 requires boards to submit a school year calendar annually which will identify:
  - school holidays (statutory and board designated)
  - instructional days (194 elementary, 194 secondary) including:
    - examination days (maximum 10 days secondary)
    - professional activity days (maximum 7 days), 3 of those days must be devoted to provincial education priorities.
2. Regulation 304 directs that instructional, examination and professional activity days will usually be provided between September 1 and June 30 and it sets the timing for the school holidays of the Christmas and March breaks. Labour Day, Thanksgiving, Family Day, Easter, Victoria Day and Canada Day are also set school holidays in the regulation.
3. Boards are required to submit the school year calendar to the Ministry for approval by May 1 of each year. If the Board decides to alter the established school holidays or extend the school year prior to September 1 or after June 30, it must submit the draft calendar to the Ministry by March 1.
4. Professional activity and examination days can be altered after the calendar has been submitted and approved without further approval from the Ministry.
5. Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board has traditionally planned its school year calendar in consultation with the Peterborough Victoria Northumberland and Clarington Catholic District School Board (PVNC) to jointly support our school communities and facilitate shared transportation costs.
6. Meetings with the Peterborough Victoria Northumberland and Clarington Catholic DSB were held with subsequent conversations on calendar development and alignment.
7. This year, because September 1 is on a Tuesday and considering the requirements of the school year, there were three very distinct calendar options. Input was requested for the 2020-21 school year calendar through a survey on the board website from all parents/guardians, students, staff and community members. The survey requests that interested parties choose either Option A (School year resumes on Tuesday, September 1, 2020, with Winter Break beginning Monday, December 21 through to Friday, January 1, 2021. Students returning to the classroom on Monday, January 4, 2021.) Option B (School year would start on Tuesday, September 8, 2020, with Winter Break beginning on

**School Year Calendar 2020-2021**

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Monday, December 21, 2020, through to Friday, January 1, 2021. Students returning to the classroom on Monday, January 4, 2021.) or Option C (School year resumes on Wednesday, September 2, 2020, with Winter Break beginning Monday, December 21 through to Friday, January 1, 2021. Students returning to the classroom on Monday, January 4, 2021.)

8. There were 5979 respondents of which 766 were in support of the proposed calendar A, 3086 in support of proposed calendar B and 2127 in support of proposed calendar C. Therefore 52% of the total respondents were in favour of Option B. Parent/Guardians were overwhelmingly supportive of Option B. Staff were more supportive of Option C. It is staff's recommendation to select Option B for the 2020-2021 school year calendar.
9. At the January 9, 2020, Board Meeting Option B 2020-2021 School Year Calendars for elementary schools, secondary schools, including Centres for Individual Studies, Brookside Secondary School and School Year Calendar 2020-2021 Summary was approved for submission to the Ministry of Education.

**STATUS**

10. In the April 28, 2020 school year update from the ministry, school Boards and school authorities were informed that the 2020-21 school year calendar submissions were not being considered at that time due to the uncertainty around the reopening of schools for September due to Covid 19 pandemic.
11. To maximize instruction time for students, Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education, in a memo received, June 30, 2020, encouraged school boards to consider three Professional Activity (PA) days prior to students starting September 8, 2020, for training that may be necessary to prepare for the reopening of schools.
12. Consultation has occurred with PVNC and they will be utilizing a similar calendar. We have also had discussions with local unions.
13. Option B 2020-2021 School Year Calendars have been modified to meet Ministry approval. A third PA day has been added to Friday, September 4, 2020. The PA day scheduled on Friday, April 23, 2021, has been removed and a Board holiday added to Friday, March 12, 2021, prior to the March Break.

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That the modified Option B 2020-2021 School Year Calendars for elementary schools (Appendix A), secondary schools, including Centres for Individual Studies (Appendix B), Brookside Secondary School (Appendix C) and School Year Calendar 2020-2021 Summary (Appendix D), be approved for submission to the Ministry of Education.

APPENDIX A Item 6.1 July 7, 2020

<b>Board Name</b> Kawartha Pine Ridge DSB (B66079)																												
<b>Calendar Title</b> [2020-352067] MODIFIED Option B - Elementary				<b>Panel</b> Elementary				<b>Calendar Type</b> Regular				<b>Date Created</b> Oct 25, 2019																
<b>Start of School Year</b> Sep 02, 2020				<b>End of School Year</b> Jun 30, 2021				<b>First Day Students</b> Sep 08, 2020				<b>Last Day Students</b> Jun 29, 2021																
<b>Status</b> Draft				<b>Description</b> Students Sept. 8/20-June 29/21. Three PA Days prior. Board designated holiday prior to March Break.																								
Month	1st Week					2nd Week					3rd Week					4th Week					5th Week					PA days	Instr days	Exam days
	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F			
August	3	4	5	6	7	10	11	12	13	14	17	18	19	20	21	24	25	26	27	28	31					0	0	0
September		1	2	3	4	7	8	9	10	11	14	15	16	17	18	21	22	23	24	25	28	29	30			2	17	0
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October				1	2	5	6	7	8	9	12	13	14	15	16	19	20	21	22	23	26	27	28	29	30	0	21	0
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November	2	3	4	5	6	9	10	11	12	13	16	17	18	19	20	23	24	25	26	27	30					1	20	0
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December		1	2	3	4	7	8	9	10	11	14	15	16	17	18	21	22	23	24	25	28	29	30	31		0	14	0
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March	1	2	3	4	5	8	9	10	11	12	15	16	17	18	19	22	23	24	25	26	29	30	31			0	18	0
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July				1	2	5	6	7	8	9	12	13	14	15	16	19	20	21	22	23	26	27	28	29	30	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>											7	187	0															

**Legend**

P -Professional Activity Day; E -Scheduled Exam Day; B -Board Designated Day; H -Statutory Day; / -Half Day;  
 P\* -Professional Activity Day Devoted to Provincial Education Priorities;

**Schools which will use this calendar:**

<b>Board Name</b> Kawartha Pine Ridge DSB (B66079)			
<b>Calendar Title</b> [2020-352183] MODIFIED Option B - Secondary	<b>Panel</b> Secondary	<b>Calendar Type</b> Regular	<b>Date Created</b> Oct 25, 2019
<b>Start of School Year</b> Sep 02, 2020	<b>End of School Year</b> Jun 30, 2021	<b>First Day Students</b> Sep 08, 2020	<b>Last Day Students</b> Jun 29, 2021
<b>Status</b> Draft	<b>Description</b> Students Sept. 8/20-June 29/21. Three PA Days prior. Board designated holiday prior to March Break.		

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September		1	2	3	4	7	8	9	10	11	14	15	16	17	18	21	22	23	24	25	28	29	30			2	17	0
October				1	2	5	6	7	8	9	12	13	14	15	16	19	20	21	22	23	26	27	28	29	30	0	21	0
November	2	3	4	5	6	9	10	11	12	13	16	17	18	19	20	23	24	25	26	27	30					1	20	0
December		1	2	3	4	7	8	9	10	11	14	15	16	17	18	21	22	23	24	25	28	29	30	31		0	14	0
January					1	4	5	6	7	8	11	12	13	14	15	18	19	20	21	22	25	26	27	28	29	0	15	5
February	1	2	3	4	5	8	9	10	11	12	15	16	17	18	19	22	23	24	25	26						1	18	0
March	1	2	3	4	5	8	9	10	11	12	15	16	17	18	19	22	23	24	25	26	29	30	31			0	18	0
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May	3	4	5	6	7	10	11	12	13	14	17	18	19	20	21	24	25	26	27	28	31					1	19	0
June		1	2	3	4	7	8	9	10	11	14	15	16	17	18	21	22	23	24	25	28	29	30			1	16	5
July				1	2	5	6	7	8	9	12	13	14	15	16	19	20	21	22	23	26	27	28	29	30	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>															7	177	10											

**Legend**

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**P\*** -Professional Activity Day Devoted to Provincial Education Priorities;

<b>Board Name</b> Kawartha Pine Ridge DSB (B66079)			
<b>Calendar Title</b> [2020-353885] MODIFIED Option B - Brookside	<b>Panel</b> Secondary	<b>Calendar Type</b> Regular	<b>Date Created</b> Dec 03, 2019
<b>Start of School Year</b> Sep 02, 2020	<b>End of School Year</b> Jun 30, 2021	<b>First Day Students</b> Sep 08, 2020	<b>Last Day Students</b> Jun 29, 2021
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**Schools which will use this calendar :**

**KAWARTHA PINE RIDGE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD****SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR  
2020-2021 SUMMARY****Elementary and Secondary**

Wednesday, September 2, 2020 Thursday, September 3, 2020 Friday, September 4, 2020	<b>PA Day - Elementary and Secondary</b> School Improvement
Friday, September 4, 2020	Non-Instructional Day - All Schools Closed
Monday, September 7, 2020	<b>Labour Day</b> - All Schools Closed
Tuesday, September 8, 2020	<b>Classes Begin</b>
Friday, September 11, 2020	All JK/SK students are attending
Monday, October 12, 2020	<b>Thanksgiving Day</b> - All Schools Closed
Friday, November 27, 2020	<b>PA Day - Elementary and Secondary</b> School Improvement
Monday, December 21, 2020 to Friday, January 1, 2021	December/Christmas Break - All Schools Closed
Monday, January 4, 2021	<b>Classes Begin for 2021</b>
Monday, January 25, 2021	Secondary School Examinations Begin
Monday, February 1, 2021	<b>PA Day - Elementary</b> - Assessment Day <b>Secondary</b> - Turn Around Day
Tuesday, February 2, 2021	Semester 2 Begins - Secondary Students
Monday, February 15, 2021	<b>Family Day - All Schools Closed</b>
Monday, March 12, 2021 to Friday, March 19, 2021	<b>March Break - All Schools Closed</b>
Friday, April 2, 2021	<b>Good Friday</b> - All Schools Closed
Monday, April 5, 2021	<b>Easter Monday</b> - All Schools Closed
Friday, May 14, 2021	<b>PA Day – Secondary Only</b>
Monday, May 24, 2021	<b>Victoria Day</b> - All Schools Closed
Friday, June 11, 2019	<b>PA Day - Elementary Only</b> - Assessment Day
Wednesday, June 23, 2021	Secondary School Examinations Begin

Thursday, June 29, 2021	Last Instructional Day - Elementary Students
Wednesday, June 30, 2021	<b>PA Day - Elementary and Secondary –</b> School Improvement