### Education and Early Childhood Development

# **Policy and Information Release**

This notice is intended for school board chairs and secretaries, superintendents and principals. Please convey to all staff for whom this information is relevant.

August 21, 2017

# School Calendar (2018-19)

The 2018–2019 academic school year is from August 1, 2018, to July 31, 2019.

The regular school term begins Tuesday, September 4, 2018, and ends Friday, June 28, 2019.

The following holidays and vacation days are mandatory:

- Labour Day (September 3)
- Thanksgiving Day (October 8)
- Remembrance Day (November 11 observed November 12)
- Holiday Break (December 24 to January 2 inclusive)
- Heritage Day (February 18)
- Spring Break (March 18 to March 22 inclusive)
- Good Friday (April 19)
- Easter Monday (April 22)
- Victoria Day (May 20)

#### 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.

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 school board to the Executive Director of Strategic Policy and Research, Education and Early Childhood Development.

### 2017-18 School Calendar

To reconfirm dates previously released, the 2017–2018 academic school year is from August 1, 2017, to July 31, 2018.

The regular school term begins on Tuesday, September 5, 2017, and ends on Friday, June 29, 2018.

The following holidays and vacation days are mandatory:

- Labour Day (September 4)
- Thanksgiving Day (October 9)
- Remembrance Day (November 11 observed November 13)
- Holiday Break (December 22 to January 2 inclusive)
- Heritage Day (February 19)
- Spring Break (March 12 to March 16 inclusive)
- Good Friday (March 30)
- Easter Monday (April 2)
- Victoria Day (May 21)

Original signed by

#### Hon. Zach Churchill

Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development