

INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

AP 4010 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

References:

Education Code Sections 79020 and 84890;
Title 5 Sections 55700 et seq. and 58142;
District/PFF Agreement, Article 4.1.4

Per the agreement between the District and the Palomar Faculty Federation (PFF), a two year planning cycle of the academic calendar is negotiated on an annual basis in accordance with the Education Code and Title 5.

For each fiscal year commencing July 1st, the District and PFF will create a two-year out calendar twenty-nine (29) months prior to July 1st of the second fiscal year calendar, and reaffirm or modify the next fiscal year's calendar seventeen (17) months prior to July 1st of the first fiscal year calendar. The District will bring a proposed academic calendar to the PFF no later than September 1st of each year. The Calendar Committee shall set the start of the spring semester following the Martin Luther King Holiday. Spring break will be the ninth week of the spring semester.

The academic year consists of 175 days of instruction and professional development activities. Holidays include:

- New Year's Day (January 1)
- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (Third Monday in January)
- Lincoln Day (February 12 or as prescribed in Education Code Section 79020)
- Washington Day (Third Monday in February)
- Memorial Day (Last Monday in May)
- Independence Day (July 4)
- Labor Day (First Monday in September)
- Native American Day (Fourth Friday of September)
- Veterans Day (November 11 or as prescribed in Education Code Section 79020)
- Thanksgiving Day (Fourth Thursday in November)
- Christmas Day (December 25)
- Other local holidays as collectively bargained and adopted by the Governing Board.

The product of District/PFF negotiations will be a proposed academic calendar that, after review and recommendations of appropriate groups, shall be submitted to the Strategic Planning Council for review and then to the Governing Board for adoption not later than February.

Office of Primary Responsibility: Student Services