



2022-2023 School Calendar Update

After much thought, discussion, and prayer, we are going to pilot a unique calendar for the upcoming academic year. I wanted to share a few of the contributing factors to why we are going to try this calendar starting in August 2022:

- It's about how students can learn best – having a session of learning followed by a short break is better than a long break where there can be more learning loss.
- It's about teaching competence more because content can be easily acquired through asking Google. More hands-on, less lecturing, more projects, less read/answer questions, etc.
- It's about themes and units where teachers can have the opportunity to prepare for each unit between “sessions”.

Session 1 (August 22-September 22)

Session 2 (October 3-November 17)

Session 3 (November 28-December 15)

Session 4 (January 4-February 9)

Session 5 (February 20-March 23)

Mission Week (March 27-30)

Session 6 (April 3-April 27)

Session 7 (May 8-June 8)

The Staff has been so excited and has come up with some wonderful ideas already for the sessions:

PreK & Kindergarten	1 st & 2 nd Grade	3 rd & 4 th Grade	Middle School	High School
Apples : Art & Cider with apples project : Bellewood Acres Field Trip	Characters of the Bible : Wax Museum Project : Bible Treasure Hunt Field Trip	Civil War/Pioneers : Quilting Squares Project : Pioneer Park Field Trip	Discovery : Ted Talk Project : Whatcom County Historic Museum Field Trip	Biology : Biome Creation Project : Exploring Tide Pools Field Trip
Spring & Easter : Baby animals & Resurrection Story : Hovander Park Field Trip (to see baby animals)	Space : Diorama Project : Planetarium Field Trip	Plants : Flowers/Plants Growing Project : Mom's Tea & present flowers	Pursuing God's Plan : How to Research & write a good Research paper : Lighthouse Mission Field Trip	Measurement in Math : Beyond Baking measuring project : Making & serving a meal to volunteers or rest home

** Note, these are ideas that were brainstormed and are subject to blossom into so much more!*

We realize that many families have gotten accustomed to the school calendar that really was created over a hundred years ago during an industrial revolution which allowed parents to work in the factories and kids were off in the summer to help on the farms. We live in a time where many can work from home, use technology to adjust our hours/save time on travel, and as we have seen during the pandemic – we have been able to educate through all the restrictions.

Join us as we rethink the calendar and share your ideas on how we can celebrate this new way of thinking! Some creative ideas that have been brought up already include:

- Tutoring, enrichment, and “fun activities” opportunities on a day or two during the week off between sessions
- Mental health breaks, unique family get-away opportunities, you-watch-my-kids-I'll-watch-your-kids exchanges for community & relationship building
- Specialists or unique staffing opportunities where a teacher comes in for a session and shares their gifts that God has given (i.e. Musician, foreign language, swimming lessons/first aid, etc.)

We look forward to partnering with you as we bring together Home, School, & Church to raise the students of Providence Christian School NW in the Lord.

Blessings,



2022-2023 Calendar

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- White dates are days that students are in school
- Green dates are teacher work days 9-12pm (no students)
- Orange dates are breaks between sessions (no school)
- Red dates are holidays that we observe (no school)
- Grey dates are non-school days

Sep 5, 2022	Labor Day (no school)	Jan 16, 2023	Martin Luther King Day (school)
Oct 10, 2022	Columbus Day (school)	Feb 20, 2023	Presidents' Day (school)
Nov 11, 2022	Veterans Day (no school)	April 9, 2023	Easter (no school)
Nov 24, 2022	Thanksgiving Day (no school)	May 29, 2023	Memorial Day (no school)

More calendar details will be added here throughout the summer... and an updated calendar will come out before school starts!