

BATH COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

AGENDA ITEM: INFORMATION { X }                      ACTION { X }                      CLOSED MEETING {    }

**SUBJECT:**                      SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – PRESENTATIONS/INFORMATION

**A. 2013-14 Division Calendar Update**

As of February 28, there have been 14 school closings, 8 delayed openings and 1 early dismissal due to inclement weather, 4 additional planned early releases have occurred as well.

The forecast for early next week indicates the possibility of additional school closings.

The Board may want to consider action to recover some of the lost instructional time.

**Bath County Public Schools**  
**Make-Up Days**

following text is from Virginia Code: § 22.1-98

B. Except as provided in this section:

1. The length of every school's term in every school division shall be at least 180 teaching days or 990 teaching hours in any school year; and
2. If the length of the term of any school or the schools in a school division shall be less than 180 teaching days or 990 teaching hours in any school year, the amount paid by the Commonwealth from the Basic School Aid Fund shall, except as otherwise hereinafter provided or as otherwise provided by law, be reduced in the same proportion as the length of the school term has been reduced in any school or the schools in the school division from 180 teaching days or 990 teaching hours.

C. Notwithstanding the requirements of subsection B, in any case in which severe weather conditions or other emergency situations, as defined in this section, result in the closing of a school or the schools in a school division, the amount paid by the Commonwealth from the Basic School Aid Fund shall not be reduced if the following schedule of make-up days is followed:

1. When severe weather conditions or other emergency situations have resulted in the closing of a school or the schools in a school division for five or fewer days, the school or the schools in the school division shall make up all missed days by adding teaching days to the school calendar or extending the length of the school day;
2. When severe weather conditions or other emergency situations have resulted in the closing of a school or the schools in a school division for six days or more, the school or the schools in the school division shall make up the first five days plus one day for each two days missed in excess of the first five by adding teaching days to the school calendar or extending the length of the school day; or
3. When severe weather conditions or other emergency situations have resulted in the closing of any school in a school division and such school has been unable to meet the 180 teaching day requirement, the school division may make up the missed teaching days by providing its students with instructional hours equivalent to such missed teaching days to meet the minimum 990 teaching hour requirement.

	Day Missed	VA Code	BCPS Calendar
The table to the right illustrates the VA Code make-up day requirement and BCPS plan to meet the provisions of the law:	1	make up/990	scheduled
	2	make up/990	scheduled
	3	make up/990	scheduled
	4	make up/990	scheduled
	5	make up/990	scheduled
VA Code provides an option to either make up days (180) or hours (990) to meet the school schedule requirement. BCPS plans for a 185 day instructional calendar, thus fulfilling the make up requirement for the first five days missed (yellow highlight). VA Code also requires that for every two days missed after the first five, one school day is made up or hours are made up to reach the 990-hour requirement. BCPS has chosen to build in make-up days six through ten at the end of our school year (green highlight), typically providing enough instructional hours to account for up to fifteen days missed. When schools are closed beyond ten days, additional days/hours are added as necessary to meet the 990-hour state requirement. (orange & blue highlight). Virginia's 140-hour minimum requirement for high school verified credits is a factor in years with more incimate weather; a calculation must be done to ensure that this requirement is met for each period of the school	6		make up
	7	make up/990	make up
	8		make up
	9	make up/990	make up
	10		make up
	11	make up/990	990
	12		990
	13	make up/990	990
	14		990
	15	make up/990	990
Senior commencement is not scheduled prior to the 140-hour minimum standard date.	16		990
	17	make up/990	990
	18		990
	19	make up/990	990
	20		990

### 2013-14 INCLEMENT WEATHER CLOSINGS / DELAYS

DATE	DAY	REASON	MAKE-UP DAY
12/9/13	Monday	<b>CLOSED / Ice &amp; Possible Power Outages</b> 12 Month Employees Report @ noon	#1 - June 2, 2014, Monday
12/10/13	Tuesday	<b>CLOSED / Snow 1-2 inches</b>	#2 - June 3, 2014, Tuesday
12/16/13	Monday	2 Hour Delay / Icy	
1/7/14	Tuesday	<b>CLOSED / -10° Temperatures</b>	#3 - June 4, 2014, Wednesday
1/8/14	Wednesday	<b>CLOSED / Single Digit Temperatures, BCHS Sprinkler Problems</b>	#4 - June 5, 2014, Thursday
1/10/14	Friday	<b>CLOSED / Freezing Rain</b> 12 Month Employees Report @ 10:00 AM	#5 - June 6, 2014, Friday
1/21/14	Tuesday	<b>CLOSED / 6" Snow</b> 12 Month Employees Not to Report in	#6 - June 9, 2014, Monday
1/22/14	Wednesday	<b>CLOSED / 6" Snow, Single Digit Temperatures</b>	#7 - June 10, 2014, Tuesday
1/23/14	Thursday	<b>CLOSED / High Winds, Single Digit Temperatures</b>	#8 - June 11, 2014, Wednesday
1/24/14	Friday	<b>CLOSED / More Snow, Single Digit Temperatures</b>	#9 - June 12, 2014, Thursday
1/27/14	Monday	2 Hour Delay / Possible Icy Road & Freezing Temps	
1/28/14	Tuesday	2 Hour Delay / Single Digit Temperatures	
1/29/14	Wednesday	<b>CLOSED / 1-2" Snow, Below 0° Temperatures</b>	#10 - June 13, 2014, Friday
2/3/14	Monday	<b>CLOSED / Heavy Rain, Flooding</b>	#11
2/4/14	Tuesday	2 Hour Delay / Freezing Fog	
2/5/14	Wednesday	<b>CLOSED / Freezing Rain</b>	#12
2/12/14	Wednesday	Early Dismissal @ 12:30 / Anticipation of Big Snow	
2/13/14	Thursday	<b>CLOSED / 18" Snow</b>	#13
2/14/14	Friday	<b>CLOSED / 18" Snow</b>	#14
2/17/14	Monday	2 Hour Delay / Possible Icy Road & Single Digit Temps	
2/18/14	Tuesday	2 Hour Delay / 1-3" Snow	
2/19/14	Wednesday	2 Hour Delay / Freezing Rain	
2/27/14	Thursday	2 Hour Delay / Wind Chill Factor Single Digits	
		<b>Last Pupil Day - June 6, 13, 2014, Friday</b>	
<b>BCHS Seniors Last Day - May 30, 2014 - Friday (180 166 Days)</b> <b>BCHS Graduation -</b> <b>Last Pupil Day - June 6, 13, 2014 - Friday (185 176 Days)</b>			

**TOTAL DAYS CLOSED = 14**

**TOTAL EARLY DISMISSALS = 1**

**TOTAL 2 HOUR DELAYS = 8**

1976-77=8	1995-96=16
1977-78=12	1996-97=8
1978-79=6	1997-98=9
1979-80=9	1998-99=9
1980-81=4	1999-00=6
1981-82=10	2000-01=10
1982-83=2	2001-02=3
1983-84=6	2002-03=18
1984-85=8	2003-04=10
1985-86=10	2004-05=8
1986-87=11	2005-06=5
1987-88=5	2006-07=11
1988-89=6	2007-08=11
1989-90=5	2008-09=12
1990-91=4	2009-10=20
1991-92=1	2010-11=9
1992-93=9	2011-12=3
1993-94=19	2012-13=15
1994-95=5	2013-14 = 14

1st Grading Period = 47

2nd Grading Period = 40

3rd Grading Period = 39

4th Grading Period = 50

**TOTAL SCHOOL DAYS = 176**

**MAKE-UP DAYS**

#1	June 2, 2014, Monday (built in)
#2	June 3, 2014, Tuesday (built in)
#3	June 4, 2014, Wednesday (built in)
#4	June 5, 2014, Thursday (built in)
#5	June 6, 2014, Friday (built in)
#6	June 9, 2014, Monday
#7	June 10, 2014, Tuesday
#8	June 11, 2014, Wednesday
#9	June 12, 2014, Thursday
#10	June 13, 2014, Friday

Aug. =	9	9
Sept. =	20	20
Oct. =	23	23
Nov. =	15	15
Dec. =	15	13
Jan. =	19	11
Feb. =	19	15
Mar. =	20	20
April =	19	19
May =	21	21
June =	5	10
<b>TOTAL =</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>176</b>

# BATH COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2013-2014 DIVISION CALENDAR

Bath County High School  
464 Charger Lane Hot Springs, VA 24445  
540-839-2431

Valley Elementary School  
98 Panther Drive Hot Springs, VA 24445  
540-839-5395

Millboro Elementary School  
411 Church Street Millboro, VA 24460  
540-997-5452 / 540-839-5804

	<b>July 29-August 9...</b>	<b>One (1) Floating Teacher Workday</b> (8:15 AM-3:30 PM) (excluding August 2)
Friday	<b>August 9.....</b>	<b>New Teachers Report</b> (8:15 AM-3:30 PM)
Mon.-Friday, Monday	<b>August 12-19.....</b>	<b>All Teachers Report</b> (8:15 AM-3:30 PM; 30 min. lunch) (Inservice & Workdays will be defined by Pre-School Workday Calendar)
Tuesday	<b>August 20.....</b>	<b>FIRST PUPIL DAY</b>
Monday	<b>September 2.....</b>	<b>Labor Day Holiday</b>
Friday	<b>September 20.....</b>	<b>Early Release 12:30 PM</b> (If Delayed Opening – Becomes Full Day) <b>Teacher Inservice 1:00-3:30 PM</b>
Monday	<b>September 23.....</b>	<b>Progress Reports Sent Home</b>
Thursday	<b>October 24.....</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Grading Period Ends / Early Release 12:30 PM</b> (If Delayed Opening – Becomes Full Day) <b>Teacher Workday 1:00-3:30 PM</b>
Thursday	<b>October 31.....</b>	<b>Report Cards Sent Home</b>
Thursday	<b>November 7.....</b>	<b>Pupil Holiday / Teacher Inservice 8:00 AM-12:00 PM</b> <b>Parent-Teacher Conferences 1:00-4:00 PM &amp; 4:30-7:00 PM</b>
Mon.-Friday	<b>November 25-29...</b>	<b>Fall Break -- Thanksgiving Holiday</b>
Thursday	<b>December 5.....</b>	<b>Progress Reports Sent Home</b>
Tues.-Thurs.	<b>December 17-19...</b>	<b>BCHS Exams - Full Day</b> (pending any days missed)** (Exams + Study/Review)
Friday	<b>December 20.....</b>	<b>BCHS Exams</b> (pending any days missed)** <b>Early Release 12:30 PM</b> (If Delayed Opening – Becomes Full Day) <b>Teacher Workday 1:00-3:30 PM</b>
Mon.-Friday	<b>Dec. 23-Jan. 3.....</b>	<b>Christmas &amp; New Year's Holiday</b>
Monday	<b>January 6.....</b>	<b>School Resumes / Students Return</b>
Friday	<b>January 17.....</b>	<b>2nd Grading Period Ends / End of Term I</b> <b>Early Release 12:30 PM</b> (If Delayed Opening – Becomes Full Day) <b>Teacher Workday 1:00-3:30 PM</b>
Monday	<b>January 20.....</b>	<b>Pupil Holiday / Teacher Workday 8:15 AM-3:30 PM</b>
Monday	<b>January 27.....</b>	<b>Report Cards Sent Home</b>
Thursday	<b>February 20.....</b>	<b>Pupil Holiday / Teacher Inservice 8:00 AM-12:00 PM</b> <b>Parent-Teacher Conferences (Progress Reports) 1:00-4:00 PM &amp; 4:30-7:00 PM</b>
Friday	<b>March 28.....</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Grading Period Ends</b>
Monday	<b>March 31.....</b>	<b>Pupil Holiday / Teacher Workday/Inservice 8:15 AM-3:30 PM</b>
Monday	<b>April 7.....</b>	<b>Report Cards Sent Home</b>
Thursday	<b>April 17.....</b>	<b>Early Release 12:30 PM</b> (If Delayed Opening – Becomes Full Day) <b>Teacher Inservice 1:00-3:30 PM</b>
Fri.-Tuesday	<b>April 18-22.....</b>	<b>Spring Break</b>
Monday	<b>May 5.....</b>	<b>Progress Reports Sent Home</b>
Monday	<b>May 26.....</b>	<b>Memorial Day Holiday</b>
Tues.-Thurs.	<b>May 27-29.....</b>	<b>BCHS Senior Exams - Full Day</b> (pending any days missed)** (Exams + Study/Review)
Tues.-Thurs.	<b>June 3-5.....</b>	<b>BCHS Exams - Full Day</b> (pending any days missed)** (Exams + Study/Review)
Friday	<b>June 6.....</b>	<b>BCHS Exams</b> (pending any days missed)** <b>Early Release 12:30 PM</b> (If Delayed Opening – Becomes Full Day) <b>LAST PUPIL DAY</b> <b>Teacher Workday 1:00-3:30 PM</b>
Mon.-Tuesday	<b>June 9, 10.....</b>	<b>Teacher Workdays</b> (8:15 AM-3:30 PM; 30 min. lunch) <b>OR Make-Up Days #6-#7*</b> (There will be <u>two</u> (2) teacher workdays following the last pupil day.)
Wed.-Friday	<b>June 11-13.....</b>	<b>Make-Up Days #8, #9, #10*</b>
Monday	<b>June 16.....</b>	<b>Report Cards Mailed Home</b> (no later than 5 days after last day of school)

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<p><i>School Board</i> Approved: 4/3/13</p>
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**Superintendent's Memo #046-14****COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA  
Department of Education**

February 18, 2014

TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Patricia I. Wright, Superintendent of Public Instruction

**SUBJECT: School Calendars and Make-up Days**

As a result of numerous inquiries we have received due to this winter's weather, we are reminding you of the requirements for instructional time in the school year. Section [22.1-98](#) of the *Code of Virginia*, the *Regulations Establishing Standards for Accrediting Public Schools in Virginia* (SOA), at [8 VAC 20-131-5 et seq.](#) and the *Regulations Governing Reduction of State Aid When Length of School Term Below 180 Teaching Days or 990 Teaching Hours*, at [8 VAC 20-521-10 et. seq.](#), require school divisions to provide instruction for a minimum of 180 days or 990 hours each school year. If the school division cannot meet the requirement for 180 days or 990 hours of instruction because of bad weather or other emergencies, days missed must be made up in accordance with the formula outlined in the *Code*, which requires that the school division must make up the first five days, and then make up one day for every two days missed in excess of the first five days missed by adding teaching days to the school calendar or extending the length of the school day. School divisions may use instructional time built into the school calendar that exceeds the 990 instructional hour minimum or add time to the remaining days to offset the days missed.

However, § [22.1-98](#) of the *Code* goes on to say: "...the Board of Education (Board) may waive the requirement that school divisions provide additional teaching days or teaching hours to compensate for school closings resulting from a declared state of emergency." On February 11, 2014, Governor Terry McAuliffe declared a [state of emergency](#) due to the major winter storm event based on weather forecasts. Section [22.1-98](#) of the *Code of Virginia* defines a declared state of emergency to mean "the declaration of an emergency before or after an event, by the Governor or by officials in a locality, that requires the closure of any or all schools within a school division." If the local school board desires a waiver, it must submit a request to the Board. The request shall include evidence of efforts that have been made by the school division to reschedule as many days as possible and certification by the division superintendent and chairman of the local school board that every reasonable effort for making up lost teaching days or teaching hours was exhausted before requesting a waiver of this requirement. If the waiver is denied, the school division shall make up the missed instructional time in accordance with the requirements referenced here.

We also received inquiries regarding the instructional time requirements found in [8 VAC 20-131-80](#) , [8 VAC 20-131-90](#) , [8 VAC 20-131-110](#) of the SOA for elementary and middle schools and high

school credit bearing courses. Should you find that you are unable to meet those requirements, you may seek a waiver from the Board as provided for in the standards.

A number of school divisions have also asked if the spring 2014 *Standards of Learning* (SOL) test dates will be revised. At this time, there are no plans to change the statewide testing windows for the SOL tests.

If you have questions regarding instructional time requirements or make-up time, please contact the Office of Policy at [Policy@doe.virginia.gov](mailto:Policy@doe.virginia.gov) or by phone at (804) 225-2092.

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