



Presented at the May 7, 2026 BOE Meeting

May 7, 2026
Committee of the Whole
2027-28 Academic Calendar

Mission Statement

At Haddonfield School District, we inspire academic excellence, foster lifelong learning, and empower our students to become contributing members of the global community.

2027-28 Calendar Feedback

- Stakeholder engagement
 - April 16, 2026 BOE Meeting
 - Staff talks at all 5 school
- Solicited feedback from:
 - Board Members
 - Administration & Staff
 - Families
 - Feedback request
 - April 21
 - April 29

2027-28 Calendar Feedback

- 109 Number of email
 - 20 Board Members, Administration & Staff
 - 89 Families
- Some comments
 - Thanking the Board of Education for soliciting input
 - Appreciation for the presentation of multiple calendar options
 - Outlining of advantages for different scenarios, (pre-Labor Day start)
 - Invitation to provide feedback allowed them to share unique family perspectives
 - Survey Format?

2027-28 Calendar Feedback

- Starting Date
 - Dead Even
- Spring Break
 - Clear Mandate
- Holiday Inclusions
 - Compromise

2027-28 Feedback: Starting Date

- Responses were basically split
 - Pre-Labor Day:
 - AP Testing
 - Summer camps end mid-August (childcare gap)
 - Earlier end to school year
 - Sports alignment
 - Several teachers expressed the like the two half days before Labor Day
 - Post -Labor Day:
 - Two-day "bridge week" followed by a long weekend is disruptive to student
 - Preserve summer
 - Difficulty of managed half-days before a holiday weekend
 - Construction runway
 - Several comments: Yes to an early start if longer spring break is attached

2027-28 Feedback: Spring Break

- Clear support week after Easter
 - Align with neighboring Districts
 - Haddonfield Staff strongly support this model
 - Monday after to accommodate travel
- Pre-Easter
 - Inclusive of Passover
 - If necessary to avoid 3rd week of June
- Several comments: Yes to an early start if longer spring break is attached

2027-28 Feedback: Additional Holidays

- Support for Inclusivity
- Majority opposed
 - Instructional disruption
 - Childcare issues
 - Calendar creep
- Passover
 - Disappointment that Passover was not considered
 - Difficult to make this a permanent solution: Passover does not always closely align with Easter
- Take adjacent days off if certain holidays fall on weekends
- Purim, Holi, Holy Monday
- Compromise
 - Consider use of PD days

2027-28 Feedback: Additional Holiday

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March (19 Student Days)
(20 teacher days)

10: In-Service (Eid al-Fitr)
24: Early Dismissal
25-29: Spring Break
(26: Good Friday)
(28: Easter)

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April (19 Student Days)
(20 teacher days)

21: Early Dismissal
21: Passover begins at sun-down
22-23: Spring Break (Passover)
26: In-service

2027-28 Emergency Closure Plan

- 1st Make-up Day: February 21, 2028
- 2nd Closure Day: February 18, 2028
 - PD day moves to break
 - Avoids low attendance over break

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2027-28 Items to note

- November Break
 - Some disappointment
 - Travel benefits
 - Stop and start nature of November is challenging
 - Many liked - childcare issues
- The 2026-27 Calendar Spring Break does not include Passover (April)
- The 2028-29 Calendar Important Dates

2028-29 Calendar: Important Dates

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Feedback

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Thank you!