



**School Year Calendar 2026-2027**  
Standing Committee  
November 24, 2025

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# Our Mission

To ensure that every student experiences a sense of belonging and engages in dynamic learning to reach their potential and build their own future.

# Process

- Ministry of Education direction
- School Year Calendar Advisory Committee
- Executive Council
- Co-Terminus coordination
- Standing Committee
- Public Survey
- School Year Calendar Advisory Committee
- Board Report
- Submission to Ministry by March 1, 2026

# Requirements / Considerations

- 194 Instructional Days
- 7 PA Days (3 Ministry + 4 Board)
- Maximum 10 Exam days
  
- Labour Day is September 7th, 2026
- There are 192 available dates between September 8, 2026 – June 30, 2027
- 2 PA days will be held prior to Labour Day

# School Year Calendar Draft Highlights

- **Municipal Election**

- Monday October 26th, 2026 (Elementary and Secondary)

- **Family-Educator Interviews**

- Friday November 27th, 2026 (Elementary)

- **Future Preparedness Day**

- Instructional Day after both secondary exam periods

# Tentative PA Day Schedule

HWDSB is awaiting Ministry guidance on requirements related to the content of PA Days.

<b>ELEMENTARY</b>	<b>SECONDARY</b>
Wednesday, September 2, 2026 – Ministry and/or Board Priority Day	Wednesday, September 2, 2026 – Ministry and/or Board Priority Day
Thursday, September 3, 2026 – Ministry and/or Board Priority Day	Thursday, September 3, 2026 – Ministry and/or Board Priority Day
Monday, October 26, 2026 – Ministry and/or Board Priority Day	Monday, October 26, 2026 – Ministry and/or Board Priority Day
Friday, November 27, 2026 – Elementary caregiver communication	Monday, February 1, 2027 – End of Exams – Ministry and/or Board Priority Day
Monday, January 22, 2027 – Elementary Reporting and Assessment	Friday, April 16, 2027 - Ministry and/or Board Priority Day
Friday, June 4, 2027 – Elementary Reporting and Assessment	Monday, June 28, 2027 – End of Exams - Ministry and/or Board Priority Day
Wednesday, June 30th, 2027 – Ministry and/or Board Priority Day	Wednesday, June 30, 2027- Ministry and/or Board Priority Day