

PORTAGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS, 2026-2027– Instructional Calendar

****Reminder no meetings week of P.T. conferences or on the 3rd Monday of every month and only one meeting per week

August 2026

18-20 New Teachers Report
25 Teacher Work Day 6-hours to work in room
25 HS Open House and WOD Open House
26-27 District/Building Meetings/Professional Development (12 hours)
26 Open House (MS and EL except WOD)
31 First Day of School - ½ day students am, pm work in rooms, staff meeting if needed.

September

4 Labor Day Recess
7 Labor Day Recess
25 Half Day for all

October

30 End Q1: ½ day students a.m., p.m. Professional Hours (9 weeks)

November

2 No School students - Teacher Professional Development
10&12 HS and MS Conferences - 3:30pm - 7:15pm - School all day
17&19 Elem. Conferences*** 4:15pm - 8:00pm - School all day
25 No School for all
26-27 Thanksgiving Recess

December

21-31 No School - Winter Recess

January 2027

1 No School - Winter Recess
4 School Resumes
18-20 HS Exams a.m. - p.m. no HS students
21 HS exams a.m. - ½ day ALL students a.m., p.m. Professional Hours
22 End of 1st Semester - No School for Students/Teachers (10 weeks)

February

12 No School students - Teacher Professional Development
26 No School Mid-Winter Break

March

1 No School Mid-Winter Break

2&4 HS and MS Conferences - 3:30pm - 7:15pm - School all day
16&18 Elem. Conferences*** - 4:15pm - 8:00pm - School all day
25 End Q3: ½ day students a.m., p.m. Professional Hours (9 weeks)
26 Spring Break
29-31 Spring Break

April

1-2 Spring Break
5 School Resumes
7-8 SAT/MME (unless moved by state of Michigan)(full count days)

May

31 No School - Memorial Day
20-28 High School Graduations (May be adjusted due to venue availability. No effect on last day of classes for seniors)

June

8-10 HS Exams a.m., no HS students pm
11* Last Day of School - HS exams a.m., ½ day ALL students a.m.,
p.m. Records day for all (10 weeks)

* Cancellations beyond what the law allows will extend the final one-half day of school (and exams) beyond Friday June 11, 2027 if needed to receive full funding from the state.

**186 teacher days include 178-Student Days, 4-PD days & 1-work day before the first student day, 2.5-days for 4-evening conferences at 3-hrs 45-minutes each, 0.5 days for one evening open house, not more than 2-hours in length.

***Elementary Teachers are free to leave or not attend the session(s) if 100% of conferences are completed.

All High School exam days have a.m. students only, and no meetings or PD in afternoon for High School Teachers (Bargaining Unit Members). A teacher may be involved with a meeting (up to 90-minutes) or PD (up to 3 hours) if they have not administered or proctored an exam on that day

****The High School exam dates might need to be adjusted for religious holidays****

PD Days (Nov 2, and February 12) may revert to ½ day student ½ PD if State Law changes prevent PD days from counting toward the 180 instructional day total.

Student Days: 178 (PD+2) Staff Days: 186