

## 2016/17 School Year Calendar

Dear Prairie Spirit Parents and Guardians:

On behalf of Prairie Spirit School Division, I am pleased to provide the 2016/17 school year calendar. We want to thank all those staff members and parents who provided feedback and helped shape the development of the new calendar.

Key things to note about the 2016/17 calendar:

- 1. The number of instructional days (185) and the length of the school day (5 hours and 9 minutes) will remain the same as in the past year.
- Teachers will begin the school year on Monday, August 29, 2016, while students will begin classes on Thursday, September 1, 2016, prior to Labour Day. The provincial government passed new legislation in 2014 that allows an earlier school start date in exceptional years when Labour Day falls on or after September 5.

The last day of classes for students will be Wednesday, June 28, 2017.

We believe the school calendar for 2016/17 reflects a positive schedule for students, staff and families.

Tracey Young Learning Superintendent

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