### 2015-2016 CPS CALENDAR

#### ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOLS

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#### LEGEND
- **Q** End of Quarter
- **+** Teacher Institute Days
- **#** School Improvement Days
- ***+** Day of non-attendance for students
- **Anticipated Window for Summer Programs**
- **()** Schools closed—salary paid except as provided by budgetary action
- **HSP** High School Parent-Teacher Conference Day (Report card pickup)
- **EPT** Elementary Parent-Teacher Conference Day (Report card pickup)
- **Emergency days school in session if student days fall below state requirement**
- **Each school is provided 3 professional development days that can be used flexibly over the course of the school year**
- **School clerks begin working on Wednesday, August 26, 2015**

#### HOLIDAYS
- **September 7** Labor Day
- **October 12** Columbus Day
- **November 11** Veterans Day
- **November 26, 27** Thanksgiving Holiday
- **January 18** M. L. King Day
- **February 15** President’s Day
- **May 30** Memorial Day
- **July 4** Independence Day

Please note: November 27, December 25 and January 1 are holidays for the district offices. November 25 is a non-attendance day for students and school-based staff.

#### NOTES:
- **SCHOOL CALENDAR**—School clerks begin on August 26, 2015. Teachers and Chicago Teacher’s Union (CTU) – represented Paraprofessionals and School-Related Personnel (PSRs) begin on August 31, 2015.

Other school-based employees begin between August 31, 2015 and September 8, 2015.

Students begin classes on Tuesday, September 8, 2015 and end on Tuesday, June 21, 2016. Both days are full days of school for students.

- **QUARTERS**—Each quarter ends on the following day:
  - Q1 ends November 12, 2015
  - Q2 ends February 4, 2016
  - Q3 ends April 7, 2016
  - Q4 ends June 21, 2016

- **PROGRESS REPORT DISTRIBUTION DAYS**—Schools will distribute progress reports on the following dates:
  - June 15, 2015
  - July 24, 2015

- **PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCE DAYS**—Parents are asked to pickup report cards and conference with teachers after the first and third quarters. Parent-Teacher conference days are non-attendance days for students. Elementary and high schools are expected to run a Parent-Teacher Conference Day:
  - Elementary: January 19, 2016
  - High School: January 20, 2016

- **REPORT CARD DISTRIBUTION DAYS**—Please note that report cards for the second and fourth quarters will be sent home:
  - Q2: February 11, 2016
  - Q3: March 11, 2016
  - Q4: April 13, 2016

- **TEACHER INSTITUTE DAYS**—Teacher institute days are non-attendance days for students. These days are approved by the State Superintendent of Instruction for teacher professional development. Teacher institute days are principal-directed, except September 4, 2015, which is half-principal and half teacher-directed.

- **SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT DAYS**—School Improvement Days are non-attendance days for students and are for teachers and staff to review student data, plan instruction, and engage in development aligned to school priorities. They are principal-directed except on February 5, 2016 which is half principal-directed and half teacher-directed, and on April 8, 2016, which is teacher-directed.

- **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FLEX DAYS**—Each school is provided 3 Professional Development Days to be used flexibly across the year: August 31, 2015, September 1, 2015 and June 23, 2016. Professional development days are principal directed.

- **VACATIONS**—Schools are closed for the following breaks:
  - Winter vacation: Schools are closed from December 21, 2015 to January 1, 2016.
  - Spring vacation: Schools are closed from April 18, 2016 to April 22, 2016.

- **GRADUATION DATES**—High school graduation ceremonies cannot be held prior to June 13, 2016. Elementary graduation ceremonies cannot be held prior to June 16, 2016.

- **ANTICIPATED SUMMER PROGRAMS**—Anticipated Summer Programs include Summer Bridge, Bilingual Bridge, English Language Summer Support, Extended School Year, Summer Acceleration and High School Summer Credit Recovery.