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## **MEMO**

To: School District Superintendents, School Board Presidents,

Special Education Cooperative Directors, Nonpublic School Administrators Director of Technology Center of DuPage, Director of ROE Alternative Services

From: Dr. Darlene J. Ruscitti

Regional Superintendent of Schools

Date: October 24, 2017

Re: Recommended 2018-2019 & 2019-2020 School Calendars for DuPage County Schools

ROE recommendations for the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 school calendars for public school districts in DuPage County are listed below. Again, these are recommendations...districts may choose dates which work best for their schools/district.

These recommendations are as follows:

Recommendations 2018-2019 SY	Recommendations 2019-2020 SY
The school year should begin with one or two teacher	The school year should begin with one or two teacher
institute days preceding the first student attendance	institute days preceding the first student attendance
day.	day.
The first pupil attendance day for an early start date	The first pupil attendance day for an early start date
should be Monday, August 13, 2018 and Wednesday	should be Monday, August 12, 2019 and Wednesday,
August 29, 2018 for a late start date.	August 28, 2019 for a late start date.
The spring countywide institute day will be scheduled	The spring countywide institute day will be scheduled
March 1, 2019, the Friday preceding Casimir Pulaski's	February 28, 2020.
Birthday.	
The day after Thanksgiving should be a day of non-	The day after Thanksgiving should be a day of non-
attendance.	attendance.
The Winter Holiday Break should begin Wednesday,	The Winter Holiday Break should begin Thursday,
December 19, 2018 with students returning on	December 19, 2019 with students returning on
Wednesday, January 2, 2019 (10 days).	Thursday, January 2, 2020 (10 days).
Spring vacation should consist of five (5) days	Spring vacation should consist of five (5) days
commencing Monday, March 25, 2019, with students	commencing Monday, March 30, 2020, with students
returning on Monday, April 1, 2019.	returning on Monday, April 6, 2020.

Note: As the guidelines state, "Whether an Institute Day, Inservice Day, or pupil attendance day, the first day of the minimum 185-day school year must be specified as the date school begins." This recommended calendar does not suggest dates of half-day inservices/parent teacher conferences, full-day P/T conference, or school improvement days since those are scheduled at the discretion of the local district.

Please direct any questions to Diane Kucharczyk at 630-407-5771.