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## MEMO

**To:** School District Superintendents, School Board Presidents,  
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**From:** Dr. Darlene J. Ruscitti  
 Regional Superintendent of Schools

**Date:** October 3, 2018

**Re: Recommended 2019-2020 & 2020-2021 School Calendars for DuPage County Schools**

ROE recommendations for the 2019-2020 & 2020-2021 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:

<b>Recommendations 2019-2020 SY</b>	<b>Recommendations 2020-2021 SY</b>
Begin the school year with one or two teacher institute days preceding the first student attendance day.	Begin the school year with one or two teacher institute days preceding the first student attendance day.
The first pupil attendance day for an early start date should be Monday, August 12, 2019 and Wednesday, August 28, 2019 for a late start date.	The first pupil attendance day for an early start date should be Monday, August 10, 2020 and Wednesday, August 26, 2020 for a late start date.
The spring countywide institute day will be scheduled February 28, 2020.	The spring countywide institute day will be scheduled February 26, 2021.
The day after Thanksgiving should be a day of non-attendance.	The day after Thanksgiving should be a day of non-attendance.
The Winter Holiday Break should begin Thursday, December 19, 2019 with students returning on Thursday, January 2, 2020 (10 days).	The Winter Holiday Break should begin Monday, December 21, 2020 with students returning on Monday, January 4, 2021 (10 days).
Spring vacation should consist of five (5) days commencing Monday, March 30, 2020, with students returning on Monday, April 6, 2020.	Spring vacation should consist of five (5) days commencing Monday, March 29, 2021, with students returning on Monday, April 5, 2021.

**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 Lori Ladesic at 630.407.5771.