

## HALIFAX REGIONAL SCHOOL BOARD SCHOOL CALENDAR 2011-2012

- PURPOSE:** To provide the School Calendar for 2011-2012 to the Halifax Regional School Board for information.
- BACKGROUND:** The School Calendar 2011-2012 reflects the direction of the Department of Education as indicated in the draft P and I Release of February 24, 2010.
- CONTENT:** The Department of Education's intent to maximize student instructional time continues to be reflected in this calendar. Formal examination dates are standardized and limited to nine days throughout the school year. Organizational day, assessment and evaluation days, and professional development days are restricted to eight days. An additional two half days are allocated for parent-teacher interviews along with one day for the NSTU provincial conference. The school year, as in the past, consists of 195 teacher days with closing exercises not to be held prior to the evening of the 193<sup>rd</sup> day.
- As per the Department of Education's direction, for schools operating on a semester schedule, final examinations are not to commence prior to the 5 days immediately preceding the end of the first semester and not prior to the 187<sup>th</sup> day.
- The "PD Groupings" (Bus Cluster Groups) will participate in professional development sessions organized by board staff focused on board and provincial priorities on the indicated days and scheduled by bussing groups. The planning and organization for the remaining two school-based professional development days will be determined by schools.
- COST:** N/A
- FUNDING:** N/A
- TIMELINE:** August 1, 2011 – July 31, 2012
- APPENDICES:**
1. 2011-2012 School Calendar
  2. Calendar Details
  3. Professional Development Groupings (Bus Clusters)
- RECOMMENDATIONS:** That the **School Calendar** (Appendix 1) for the 2011-2012 school year be received for information

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

<b>Audience</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	<b>Timelines</b>
<b>School Administration Department</b>	<b>Danielle McNeil-Hessian Director, School Administration</b>	<b>April 7, 2011</b>
<b>School Principals</b>	<b>Danielle McNeil-Hessian Director, School Administration</b>	<b>April 7, 2011</b>
<b>Communications Department</b>	<b>Danielle McNeil-Hessian Director, School Administration</b>	<b>April 7, 2011</b>
<b>Program Staff</b>	<b>Danielle McNeil-Hessian Director, School Administration</b>	<b>April 7, 2011</b>
<b>Stock Transportation</b>	<b>Danielle McNeil-Hessian Director, School Administration</b>	<b>April 7, 2011</b>
<b>EXCEL</b>	<b>Danielle McNeil-Hessian Director, School Administration</b>	<b>April 7, 2011</b>
<b>Human Resource Services</b>	<b>Danielle McNeil-Hessian Director, School Administration</b>	<b>April 7, 2011</b>
<b>Operations</b>	<b>Danielle McNeil-Hessian Director, School Administration</b>	<b>April 7, 2011</b>
<b>HRM Crosswalk Guards</b>	<b>Danielle McNeil-Hessian Director, School Administration</b>	<b>April 7, 2011</b>

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**To:** Senior Staff - March 28, 2011  
Halifax Regional School Board – April 27, 2011

**Date:** April 28, 2011



## 2011-2012 SCHOOL CALENDAR

- Term/Semester Begins
- PD and/or Assessment & Evaluation Day
- Early Dismissal for Parent/Teacher
- Weekends and/or School Year Holidays
- Late Registration Day

- August 25 Late Registration Day
- September 1 First Day of School/Organization Day
- September 2 School-Based PD Day (no classes)
- September 5 Labour Day
- September 6 First Day of School for Students
- October 10 Thanksgiving Day (no classes)
- October 28 Provincial Conference Day (no classes)
- November 9 Early dismissal for Parent/Teacher
- November 11 Remembrance Day (no classes)
- November 14 Bus Cluster 1-PD Day
- November 18 Bus Cluster 2-PD Day
- November 21 Bus Cluster 3-PD Day
- November 28 Assessment & Evaluation Day P-9 (no classes)
- December 5 Term 2 Begins P-9
- December 6-8 Report Cards Home P-9
- December 16 Last Day of Classes-Christmas Break
- January 3 Schools Reopen
- January 26-31 Senior High Exams
- January 26, 27 NS Exams (Math and English)
- February 1 Assessment & Evaluation Day 10-12 (no classes)
- February 2 Semester 2 Begins 10-12
- February 17 School-Based PD Day (no classes)
- March 12-16 March Break (no classes)
- March 30 Assessment & Evaluation Day P-9 (no classes)
- April 2 Term 3 Begins P-9
- April 6 Good Friday (no classes)
- April 9 Easter Monday (no classes)
- April 10-12 Report Cards Home P-9
- April 26 Early Dismissal for Parent Teacher
- May 11 School-Based PD Day (no classes)
- May 21 Victoria Day (no classes)
- June 15, 19 NS Exams (Math and English)
- June 19-25 Senior High Exams
- June 27 Assessment & Evaluation Day 10-12 (no classes)
- June 28 Assessment & Evaluation Day P-12 (no classes)
- June 29 Last Day of School

### August 2011

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

### October 2011

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

### December 2011

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

### February 2012

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29			

### April 2012

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

### June 2012

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

### September 2011

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

### November 2011

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

### January 2012

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

### March 2012

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

### May 2012

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

### July 2012

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

## Appendix 1

<b>Calendar 2011-12</b>	
August 25, 2011	Late Registration Day
September 1, 2011	First Day of School/Organization Day
September 2, 2011	School- Based PD Day (no classes)
September 5, 2011	Labour Day (no classes)
September 6, 2011	First Day of Classes for Students
October 10, 2011	Thanksgiving Day (no classes)
October 28, 2011	Provincial Conference Day
November 9, 2011	Early Dismissal for Parent Teacher P-12
November 11, 2011	Remembrance Day (no classes)
November 14, 2011	Bus Cluster 1 - PD Day
November 18, 2011	Bus Cluster 2 - PD Day
November 21, 2011	Bus Cluster 3 - PD Day
November 28, 2011	Assessment & Evaluation Day P-9 (no classes)
December 5, 2011	Term 2 Begins P-9
December 6 - 8, 2011	Report Cards Home P-9
December 16, 2011	Last Day of Classes - Christmas Break
January 3, 2012	Schools Reopen
January 26-31, 2012	Senior High Exams
January 26-27, 2012	NS Exams (Math & English)
February 1, 2012	Assessment & Evaluation Day 10-12 (no classes)
February 2, 2012	Semester 2 Begins 10-12
February 17, 2012	School Based PD Day (no classes)
March 12 - 16, 2012 (inclusive)	March Break (no classes)
March 30, 2012	Assessment & Evaluation Day P-9 (no classes)
April 2, 2012	Term 3 Begins P-9
April 6, 2012	Good Friday (no classes)
April 9, 2012	Easter Monday (no classes)
April 10 – 12, 2012	Report Cards Home P – 9
April 26, 2012	Early Dismissal for Parent Teacher P-12
May 11, 2012	School-Based PD Day (no classes)
May 21, 2012	Victoria Day (no classes)
June 15, 19, 2012	NS Exams (Math & English)
June 19 - 25, 2012	Senior High Exams
June 27, 2012	Assessment & Evaluation 10-12 (no classes)
June 28, 2012	Assessment & Evaluation P – 12 (no classes)
June 29, 2012	Last Day of School

# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GROUPINGS

## **Bus Cluster 1**

**November 14, 2011**

- ❖ Sackville High School
- ❖ Millwood High School
- ❖ Charles P. Allen High School
- ❖ Lockview High School
- ❖ Halifax West High School

## **Bus Cluster 2**

**November 18, 2011**

- ❖ Citadel High School
- ❖ Sir John A. Macdonald High School
- ❖ J.L. Ilsley High School
- ❖ FLECs

## **Bus Cluster 3**

**November 21, 2011**

- ❖ Dartmouth High School
- ❖ Prince Andrew High School
- ❖ Auburn Drive High School
- ❖ Cole Harbour District High School
- ❖ Eastern Shore District High School
- ❖ Musquodoboit Rural High School
- ❖ Duncan MacMillan High School

## NUMBER OF DAYS – GRADES PRIMARY TO NINE

<b>Term 1</b>		<b>Operational Days</b>	<b>Instructional Days</b>
September		21	19
October		20	19
November		21	19
December		2	2
<b>Total Term 1</b>		<b>64</b>	<b>59</b>
<b>Term 2</b>			
December		10	10
January		21	21
February		21	20
March		17	16
<b>Total Term 2</b>		<b>69</b>	<b>67</b>
<b>Term 3</b>			
April		19	19
May		22	21
June		21	20
<b>Total Term 3</b>		<b>62</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>195</b>	<b>186</b>
		<i>Organizational Day</i>	1
		<i>Assessment &amp; Evaluation Days</i>	3
		<i>Professional Development Days / NSTU Conference</i>	5

## NUMBER OF DAYS - HIGH SCHOOL

<b>Semester 1</b>		<b>Operational Days</b>	<b>Instructional Days</b>
September		21	19
October		20	19
November		21	20
December		12	12
January		21	21
February		1	0
<b>Total Term 1</b>		<b>96</b>	<b>91</b>
<b>Semester 2</b>			
February		20	19
March		17	17
April		19	19
May		22	21
June		21	19
<b>Total Term 2</b>		<b>99</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>195</b>	<b>186</b>
		<i>Organizational Day</i>	1
		<i>Assessment &amp; Evaluation Days</i>	3
		<i>Professional Development Days / NSTU Conference</i>	5