

September 19, 2025

To: GEB Calendar Sub-Committee

From: Calendar Committee

Subject: Proposed School Calendars -SY 2026-2027, SY 2027-2028, SY 2028-2029, and SY 2029-2030

Buenas yan Hafa Adai! On behalf of the Calendar Committee, which consists of GFT and appointed committee members, we are submitting Draft Proposals for SY 2026-2027, SY 2027-2028, SY 2028-2029, and SY 2029-2030 in consideration of resetting the GDOE School Calendars to start the school year on or around August 15th and in compliance with the law.

The proposed school calendars were developed based on the following:

- 17 GCA § 715(1)(13) Chapter 7 Title 1, Guam Code Annotated, at least (180) instructional days or its equivalence as that term is defined in 1 GCA § 715.
- School Year: 210 days from the start to the end date for each school year (meeting 21 pay periods for Teacher pay)
- Summer break: 50 days from the end to the start date (5 pay periods)
- The committee also recognized that teacher reclassification is based on the beginning of the semester, which is noted on the Proposed School Calendars as the Teacher's first workday, ensuring that the teacher receives their reclassification pay at the start of the school year.

The proposed school calendars were readjusted gradually over four school years so that the target start date of August 15 is reached by 2029. Each school year between now and 2029 will shift by three to four days, to reflect the change and reduce financial disruption for teacher pay.

- SY 2026-2027 – readjusted by 3 days; start date on August 5, 2026
- SY 2027-2028 – readjusted by 3 days; start date on August 9, 2027
- SY 2028-2029 – readjusted by 4 days; start date on August 11, 2028
- SY 2029-2030 – readjusted by 3 days; start date on August 15, 2029

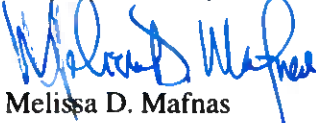
During the transition years, a three- to four-day gap will occur at the beginning of the school year, during which teachers will not receive pay for these days. Teachers will be informed to plan accordingly if they receive income spread over 26 pay periods. Teacher salaries are allocated to the school year and cover 21 pay periods by default. Many teachers opt to spread their pay over 26 pay periods to receive paychecks during the summer months.

Attached, you will find four Proposed School Calendars. Each calendar is comprised of the following:

- **180 Instructional days**
- **2 Teacher Workdays**
- **2 Parent Teacher Conference/Professional Development 1/2days ***
- **2 Professional Development Days**
 - Total of three Professional Development days, inclusive of the ½ days offered during PTC/PD days.

Total of 186 teacher work days

Si Yu'os Ma'ase,



Melissa D. Mafnas

Department of Education CALENDAR

SY 2026-2027

August 5, 2026	Wednesday	Teacher Workday #1/1st Semester Begins
August 6-7, 2026	Thursday-Friday	Professional Development (PD #1 & #2) - NO CLASSES
August 10, 2026	Monday	FIRST DAY OF CLASSES
August 6-12, 2026	Thursday-Wednesday	Head Start Pre-Service Professional Development - NO CLASSES Universal Pre-K & GATE Pre-K Professional Development & Pre-Assessments - NO CLASSES
August 13, 2026	Thursday	Head Start Parent-Child Day Universal Pre-K & GATE Pre-K Orientation
August 14, 2026	Friday	Head Start & Universal Pre-K & GATE Pre-K - FIRST DAY OF CLASSES
September 7, 2026	Monday	HOLIDAY - Labor Day
September 14, 2026	Monday	Head Start Teacher Workday #1 - NO CLASSES
September 21, 2026	Monday	Head Start Teacher Workday #2 - NO CLASSES
October 12, 2026	Monday	1st Semester Midterm JPTSA - End of 1st Block Head Start Teacher Workday #3 - NO CLASSES
October 19, 2026	Monday	Elementary School/Head Start Parent-Teacher Conference and Professional Development- NO CLASSES*
October 20, 2026	Tuesday	Middle School Parent-Teacher Conference and Professional Development- NO CLASSES*
October 21, 2026	Wednesday	High School Parent-Teacher Conference and Professional Development- NO CLASSES*
November 2, 2026	Monday	HOLIDAY - All Souls Day
November 3, 2026	Tuesday	Flexible Make-Up Day #1 - NO CLASSES
November 11, 2026	Wednesday	HOLIDAY - Veterans Day
November 26, 2026	Thursday	HOLIDAY - Thanksgiving Day
November 27, 2026	Friday	Flexible Make-Up Day #2
December 8, 2026	Tuesday	HOLIDAY - Santa Marian Kamalen Day
December 21-31, 2026	Monday-Thursday	BREAK- NO CLASSES
December 25, 2026	Friday	HOLIDAY - Christmas
January 1, 2027	Friday	HOLIDAY - New Year's Day
January 4, 2027	Monday	Classes Resume Head Start - Professional Development - NO CLASSES
January 06, 2027	Wednesday	End of 1st Semester JPTSA - End of 2nd Block
90 SCHOOL DAYS		
January 07, 2027	Thursday	2nd Semester Begins
January 12, 2027	Tuesday	1st Semester Grades Due at the End of the Duty Day
January 18, 2027	Monday	HOLIDAY - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 19, 2027	Tuesday	Elementary School/Head Start Parent-Teacher Conference and Professional Development - NO CLASSES
February 15, 2027	Monday	Head Start - Professional Development - NO CLASSES
March 1, 2027	Monday	HOLIDAY - Guam History and Chamoru Heritage Day
March 12, 2027	Friday	2nd Semester Midterm JPTSA - End of 3rd Block
March 22-26, 2027	Monday-Friday	BREAK- NO CLASSES
March 29, 2027	Monday	Classes Resume
March 30, 2027	Tuesday	Middle School Parent-Teacher Conference/Professional Development- NO CLASSES*
March 31, 2027	Wednesday	High School/JPTSA Parent-Teacher Conference/Professional Development - NO CLASSES*
April 19- May 14, 2027	Monday-Friday	Districtwide - Assessment Testing Window

May 10, 2027	Monday	Head Start Teacher Workday #4 - NO CLASSES
May 21, 2027	Friday	Head Start - LAST DAY OF CLASSES
May 24, 2027	Monday	LAST DAY OF CLASSES/End of 2nd Semester <i>JPTSA - End of 4th Block</i> Head Start - Professional Development - NO CLASSES
May 25, 2027	Tuesday	Teacher Workday #2 2nd Semester Grades Due at the End of the Duty Day
90 SCHOOL DAYS		
May 26, 2027	Wednesday	SCHOOL VACATION BEGINS

In the event make-up days are utilized, the end of the semester shall be adjusted accordingly.
*Parent Teacher Conference & Professional Development Days shall be five hours. Three (3) hours will be Parent Teacher Conference & two hours for Professional Development.
In the event that the make-up days are used, the last day of the 4 th Quarter and the Teacher Work Day shall change accordingly (P.L. 28-45).
In the event that additional make-up days are necessary, the available Parent Teacher Conference & Professional Development Day(s) shall be used as a school day(s).
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SUMMARY	FLEXIBLE MAKE-UP DAYS	APPROVED BY THE GEB
180 School Days 2 Teacher Work Days 2 Parent-Teacher Conference & PD Days 2 Professional Development 186 Days HEAD START: 170 School Days 6 Teacher Work Days 2 Parent-Teacher Conference & PD Days 8 Professional/Staff Development 186 Days	November 3, 2026 Flexible Make-Up Day #1 November 27, 2026 Flexible Make-Up Day #2	<div> Dr. K. Erik Swanson DATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION </div> <div> Mr. Angel R. Sablan DATE CHAIR, GUAM EDUCATION BOARD </div>

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SY 2028-2029

August 11, 2028	Friday	Teacher Workday #1/1st Semester Begins
August 14, 2028	Monday	Professional Development (PD #1) - NO CLASSES
August 15, 2028	Tuesday	FIRST DAY OF CLASSES
August 14-18, 2028	Monday-Friday	Head Start Pre-Service Professional Development - NO CLASSES Universal Pre-K & GATE Pre-K Professional Development & Pre-Assessments - NO CLASSES
August 21, 2028	Monday	Head Start Parent-Child Day Universal Pre-K & GATE Pre-K Orientation
August 22, 2028	Tuesday	Head Start & Universal Pre-K & GATE Pre-K - FIRST DAY OF CLASSES
September 4, 2028	Monday	HOLIDAY - Labor Day
September 11, 2028	Monday	Head Start Teacher Workday #1 - NO CLASSES
September 18, 2028	Monday	Head Start Teacher Workday #2 - NO CLASSES
October 9, 2028	Monday	Head Start Teacher Workday #3 - NO CLASSES
October 17, 2028	Tuesday	1st Semester Midterm <i>JPTSA - End of 1st Block</i>
October 25, 2028	Wednesday	Elementary School/Head Start Parent-Teacher Conference and Professional Development - NO CLASSES*
October 26, 2028	Thursday	Middle School Parent-Teacher Conference and Professional Development - NO CLASSES*
October 27, 2028	Friday	High School Parent-Teacher Conference and Professional Development - NO CLASSES*
November 2, 2028	Thursday	HOLIDAY - All Souls Day
November 7, 2028	Tuesday	Professional Development (PD #2)- NO CLASSES
November 10, 2028	Friday	HOLIDAY - Veterans Day (Observed)
November 23, 2028	Thursday	HOLIDAY - Thanksgiving Day
November 24, 2028	Friday	Flexible Make-Up Day #1
December 8, 2028	Friday	HOLIDAY - Santa Marian Kamalen Day
December 25, 2028	Friday	HOLIDAY - Christmas
December 25-January 05, 2029	Monday-Friday	BREAK- NO CLASSES
January 1, 2029	Monday	HOLIDAY - New Year's Day
January 8, 2029	Monday	Classes Resume Head Start - Professional Development - NO CLASSES
January 11, 2029	Thursday	End of 1st Semester <i>JPTSA - End of 2nd Block</i>
90 SCHOOL DAYS		
January 12, 2029	Friday	2nd Semester Begins
January 15, 2029	Monday	HOLIDAY - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 18, 2029	Thursday	1st Semester Grades Due at the End of the Duty Day
January 26, 2029	Friday	Elementary School/Head Start Parent-Teacher Conference and Professional Development - NO CLASSES*
February 19, 2029	Monday	Head Start - Professional Development - NO CLASSES
March 5, 2029	Monday	HOLIDAY - Guam History and Chamoru Heritage Day
March 19, 2029	Monday	2nd Semester Midterm <i>JPTSA - End of 3rd Block</i>
March 26-30, 2029	Monday-Friday	BREAK- NO CLASSES
April 6, 2029	Friday	Middle School Parent-Teacher Conference/Professional Development - NO CLASSES*
April 9, 2029	Monday	High School/JPTSA Parent-Teacher Conference/Professional Development - NO CLASSES*
April 16 - May 11, 2029	Monday-Friday	Districtwide - Assessment Testing Window

May 14, 2029	Monday	Head Start Teacher Workday - NO CLASSES
May 28, 2029	Monday	HOLIDAY - Memorial Day
May 29, 2029	Tuesday	Head Start - LAST DAY OF CLASSES
May 30, 2029	Wednesday	LAST DAY OF CLASSES/End of 2nd Semester JPTSA - End of 4th Block Head Start (Professional Development Day)
May 31, 2029	Thursday	Teacher Workday #2 2nd Semester Grades Due at the End of the Duty Day
90 SCHOOL DAYS		
June 1, 2029	Friday	SCHOOL VACATION BEGINS

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Department of Education CALENDAR

SY 2029-2030

August 15, 2029	Wednesday	Teacher Workday #1/1st Semester Begins
August 16-17, 2029	Thursday-Friday	Professional Development (PD #1 & PD #2) - NO CLASSES
August 20, 2029	Monday	FIRST DAY OF CLASSES
August 16-22, 2029	Thursday-Wednesday	Head Start Pre-Service Professional Development - NO CLASSES Universal Pre-K & GATE Pre-K Professional Development & Pre-Assessments - NO CLASSES
August 23, 2029	Thursday	Head Start Parent-Child Day Universal Pre-K & GATE Pre-K Orientation
August 24, 2029	Friday	Head Start & Universal Pre-K & GATE Pre-K - FIRST DAY OF CLASSES
September 3, 2029	Monday	HOLIDAY - Labor Day
September 10, 2029	Monday	Head Start Teacher Workday #1 - NO CLASSES
September 17, 2029	Monday	Head Start Teacher Workday #2 - NO CLASSES
October 8, 2029	Monday	Head Start Teacher Workday #3 - NO CLASSES
October 22, 2029	Monday	1st Semester Midterm <i>JPTSA - End of 1st Block</i>
October 29, 2029	Monday	Elementary School/Head Start Parent-Teacher Conference and Professional Development - NO CLASSES*
October 30, 2029	Tuesday	Middle School Parent-Teacher Conference and Professional Development - NO CLASSES*
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November 2, 2029	Friday	HOLIDAY - All Souls Day
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November 22, 2029	Thursday	HOLIDAY - Thanksgiving Day
November 23, 2029	Friday	Flexible Make-Up Day #1
December 7, 2029	Friday	HOLIDAY - Santa Marian Kamalen Day (Observed)
December 24-January 4, 2030	Monday-Friday	BREAK- NO CLASSES
December 25, 2029	Tuesday	HOLIDAY - Christmas
January 1, 2030	Tuesday	HOLIDAY - New Year's Day
January 7, 2030	Monday	Classes Resume Head Start - Professional Development - NO CLASSES
January 15, 2030	Tuesday	End of 1st Semester <i>JPTSA - End of 2nd Block</i>
90 SCHOOL DAYS		
January 16, 2030	Wednesday	2nd Semester Begins
January 21, 2030	Monday	HOLIDAY - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 22, 2030	Tuesday	1st Semester Grades Due at the End of the Duty Day
February 1, 2030	Friday	Elementary School/Head Start Parent-Teacher Conference and Professional Development - NO CLASSES*
February 18, 2030	Monday	Head Start - Professional Development #4 - NO CLASSES
March 4, 2030	Monday	HOLIDAY - Guam History and Chamoru Heritage Day
March 21, 2030	Thursday	2nd Semester Midterm <i>JPTSA - End of 3rd Block</i>
March 29, 2030	Friday	Middle School Parent-Teacher Conference/Professional Development - NO CLASSES*
April 1, 2030	Monday	High School/JPTSA Parent-Teacher Conference/Professional Development - NO CLASSES*
April 15-19, 2030	Monday-Friday	BREAK- NO CLASSES
April 22 - May 17, 2030	Monday-Friday	Districtwide - Assessment Testing Window
May 20, 2030	Monday	Head Start Teacher Workday #4 - NO CLASSES

May 27, 2030	Monday	HOLIDAY - Memorial Day
May 31, 2030	Monday	Head Start - LAST DAY OF CLASSES
June 3, 2030	Monday	LAST DAY OF CLASSES/End of 2nd Semester <i>JPTSA - End of 4th Block</i> Head Start - Professional Development - NO CLASSES
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