



2015-2016 BTPS School Year Calendar

Buffalo Trail Public Schools is committed to maximizing student learning, in a safe and caring environment, supported by a highly effective team.

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2015-2016 Legend

- Holiday
- Day-in-lieu
- Organizational Day
- Celebration Day
- School Based PL
- Convention/ATA PL Day
- TES Team Day
- First Student Day of Term
- Central Office Closed

The first day for students is September 1st, 2015. February 2nd, 2016 is the first day of Term 2. June 28th, 2016 is the last day of school for students.

The last day of critical content for students in grades 7-11 will be **January 20th, 2016** for the first term and **June 20th, 2016** for the second term. The last day of critical content for grade 12 will be the **day before the first scheduled Part "B" Diploma Exam**. Critical content includes new material that will be a part of assessments that measure what students know and are able to do in relation to the identified curricular outcomes. Critical content does not refer to any material that has been previously covered and is the subject of review in preparation for a summative assessment.

Please refer to the school website for exam schedules and to the Alberta Education website for Diploma Exam schedules at www.education.alberta.ca

The 2015-2016 school calendar provides for instructional time for students that exceeds the requirement set by Alberta Education for instructional hours at the grade 1-9 levels of 950 hours and at the grade 10-12 levels of 1000 hours. The total student days in this year's calendar equals 179 days.

For information on the BTPS School Calendar Guidelines, please refer to BTPS Administrative Procedure 302.1AP on our website at www.btps.ca

STUDENT NON-ATTENDANCE DATES FOR 2015-2016

August 26	Organizational Day	February 1	Organizational Day
August 27	School-based Professional Learning Day	February 12	Teacher Effectiveness Support
August 28	Teacher Effectiveness Support		Team Day
	Team Day	February 15	Family Day
August 31	Organizational Day	February 26	School-based Professional Learning Day
September 7	Labour Day		Learning Day
October 9	Celebration Day	March 10 & 11	ATA Teachers' Convention
October 12	Thanksgiving Day	March 25	Good Friday
October 23	School-based Professional Learning Day	March 28 - April 1	Easter Break
November 11	Remembrance Day	April 8	School-based Professional Learning Day
November 12	ATA Professional Learning Day		Teacher Effectiveness Support
November 13	Designated Day-in-Lieu	April 22	Team Day
November 27	Teacher Effectiveness Support Team Day		School-based Professional Learning Day
	School-based Professional Learning Day	May 13	Designated Day-in-Lieu
December 11	School-based Professional Learning Day		Victoria Day
Dec 21 - Jan 1	Christmas Break	May 20	Organizational Day
January 29	Staff Professional Learning Day	May 23	
		June 29	