

Office of the Superintendent of Schools  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Rockville, Maryland

November 9, 2021

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education  
From: Monifa B. McKnight, Interim Superintendent of Schools  
Subject: 2021-2022 Traditional and Innovative School Year Calendars Adjustment

WHEREAS, Wednesday, November 24, 2021, is the day before Thanksgiving; and

WHEREAS, staff, both school-based and central office, has been working incredibly hard this year to support students during the transition to having all students in school five days per week; and

WHEREAS, staff attendance is lower than average on the day before Thanksgiving; and

WHEREAS, there is a shortage of substitute teachers this school year, resulting in teachers and paraeducators having to provide class coverage during their non-teaching periods; and

WHEREAS, the current 2021-2022 traditional school-year calendar has 182 student days, two more than required by state law; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the 2021–2022 Traditional and Innovative School Year Calendars be modified to make Wednesday, November 24, 2021, a holiday for all students and staff; and be it further

Resolved, That the proposed modification to the Montgomery County Public Schools 2021–2022 Traditional and Innovative School Year calendars be adopted.

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