

Make-up Days

Calendar Law (G.S. 115C-84.2) Frequently Asked Questions

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Instructional Days

- 1. If days are missed due to inclement weather, can a local board of education decide to not make up the days in their district?**

No, G.S. 115C-84.2 does not authorize local boards of education to eliminate instructional days from the school calendar.

- 2. Can the local boards request a waiver from State Board of Education for the 185 days?**

G.S. 115C-84.2 does give the State Board of Education the authority to waive up to five (5) instructional days and convert those days to teacher workdays, provided doing so will enhance student performance.

- 3. What authority does a local board of education have to revise its School Calendar to meet its obligation to provide 185 days and 1,025 hours of instruction?**

Within the adopted School Calendar, a local board of education shall schedule make-up days for days missed due to inclement weather, provided school cannot be held on Sunday or Veterans Day. A local board of education may revise the closing date in its adopted School Calendar only if it determines that it is necessary to extend the School Calendar to provide the required 185 days and 1,025 hours of instruction.

- 4. What is the latest closing date for the current school year if an LEA has been granted a calendar waiver based on the 10 year inclement weather history?**

June 30th. All school days must fall within the same Fiscal Year.

- 5. If the State Board of Education has not granted a calendar waiver based on the 10 year inclement weather history, what is the latest closing date for the current school year?**

The school closing date shall not be after June 10th.

- 6. Which holidays can be scheduled as school days?**

Any holiday can be used as a school day except Veteran's Day, which shall be a holiday for students and personnel. Sunday shall not be a school day for teachers or students.

Workdays

- 7. Can we use Saturday as an optional teacher workday when an instructional make-up day was held on a weekday that was originally scheduled for a teacher workday?**

Yes, the only days that cannot be used are Sundays and Veterans Day.

8. The Central Office was closed and our make-up day is on Saturday. Do the employees of the Central Office have to make-up their time too?

Yes. All days must be accounted for. It is the responsibility of the Superintendent to ensure that all employees have sufficiently made up the time they missed or they have taken leave for the work hours missed.

9. Does the calendar requirement of having 42 consecutive days when teacher attendance is not required include Saturdays and Sundays?

Yes. The statute requires 42 "consecutive" days and includes all calendar days.

If you have additional questions that have not been addressed, please contact Andrew Cox at 919.807.3708.