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The academic calendar consists of 175 days. The academic year is the period of time from the beginning of the fall semester to the end of the spring semester, excluding any inter-sessions or breaks. One hundred seventy (170) days of the academic year are instruction days and five (5) days are flexible calendar days. Three (3) of the flex days are mandatory.

The Vice President, Academic Affairs Office drafts the academic calendar for the next subsequent academic year. Input is gathered from Academic Senate, Instruction Council and College Council in October-November. The recommendation is forwarded to the Board of Trustees for approval in January.

Mandated holidays are indicated on the academic calendar and are observed as specified by Education Code Section 79020. They include:

- New Year's Day (January 1 or an alternate date if the 1st is on a Saturday or Sunday)
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (Third Monday in January)
- Lincoln Day (February—specific date to be selected from options provided by the Chancellor's Office)
- Washington Day (Third Monday in February)
- Memorial Day (Last Monday in May)
- Juneteenth (June 19)
- Independence Day (July 4 or an alternate date if the 4th is on a Saturday or Sunday)
- Labor Day (First Monday in September)
- Veteran's Day (November 11 or an alternate date if the 11th is on a Saturday or Sunday)

- Thanksgiving Day (Fourth Thursday in November)
- Christmas Day (December 25 or an alternate date if the 25th is on a Saturday or Sunday)
- Any day appointed by the President of the United States or the Governor of California as a holiday (Education Code Section 88203)

Local holidays are also indicated on the calendar and are observed on the following days:

- Admission Day (Friday following Thanksgiving)
- Christmas Eve (December 24)
- New Year's Eve (December 31)
- Three days between December 26 and January 2 (when Christmas falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the third day will be on January 2)

The Academic Calendar is a negotiated item with the Faculty Association pursuant to the Collective Bargaining Unit.

Approved by Superintendent/President Dr. Char Perlas March 22, 2023.