



Update: 2020-2021 Rockwood Calendar

A new Missouri law may impact the recently approved 2020-2021 school calendar. We understand that this could be a change for our families, and we want to provide some information as we respond to any potential changes to this school calendar. Below are some answers to frequently asked questions on this topic.

What is the legislation?

HB 161 prohibits local school districts from setting an opening date for the school term that is more than 14 calendar days prior to the first Monday in September. At this time, the bill has been passed by the Missouri House and Senate. House Bill 161 still needs to be finally agreed upon in the House, and then would be sent to the governor's desk.

Would the legislation affect Rockwood?

Yes. If signed into law, the legislation would impact our school district's 2020-2021 school year. The calendar committee [presented this calendar to the Rockwood School Board in February 2019](#), and members approved it in March 2019.

How is the Rockwood calendar developed?

The Rockwood calendar is developed by the [district's calendar committee](#), which is comprised of parents, staff, students and administrators. They are charged with creating a calendar that is two years ahead of the current school year to ensure families have planning time for special events and summer vacations. During this extensive process, the committee ensures the school community has the opportunity to provide input. This feedback is reflected in the final proposal sent to the School Board for review.

How would Rockwood respond if changes were needed to the 2020-2021 calendar?

Rockwood's calendar committee would review the 2020-2021 school calendar to ensure it aligns with new state legislation. A new proposed calendar would be presented to the Rockwood Board of Education for approval, as is our usual process. As always, we would keep our school community informed of any changes moving forward.

Questions?

If you have questions, about the 2020-2021 school calendar, please contact Dr. Tracy Edwards, director human resources, at edwardstracy@rsdmo.org.