

SCHOOL CALENDAR GUIDELINES

2010-2011

1. The school calendar is 215 days
2. Watauga County Schools will be waived from the August 25/June 10 first/last day mandate. (see copy of waiver form)
3. Students must be in school for 180 days **and** receive 1,000 hours of instruction.
4. Ten days of annual leave are required.
5. Five workdays in the calendar must be “protected” by the local board to allow teachers to complete instructional and classroom administrative duties. One of these days must be at the beginning of the school year and there must be one of these days at the end of each quarter. These protected days cannot be used for making up missed school days. Teachers may take accrued annual leave on protected days.
6. There are ten work days in addition to the five protected work days. (However, in years when Christmas falls on a Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday, employees receive one additional holiday and one less work day.) Christmas falls on Saturday in 2010.
7. There are ten legal holidays (except as noted in #6 above).
8. November 11 must be a holiday for students and staff (Veterans’ Day).