

# Austin Independent School District

*Student Support Services*



DATE: September 3, 2008

TO: School Calendar 09-10 Committee Members

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SUBJECT: 2009-2010 School Calendar Task Force Progress and Update

Brief summary:

1. The process for the adoption of the 2009-2010 School Calendar began in January 2008. The orientation for the new task force members took place on March 25, 2008. Between March and May 2008, the task force divided into several subcommittees and arranged for subcommittee meeting times to collect key data and get input from stakeholders.
2. In May 2008 several members suggested that a calendar survey be developed and made available to parents and staff members via the web and in hard copy. A copy of the survey and results.
3. Independent of each other, the AISD Department of Program and Evaluation and Mr. Wayne Lindauer analyzed and summarized the results in a report.

The Task Force will reconvene on September 9, 2008. Several meetings are scheduled between September and November 2008. During this time the committee members will focus on five major activities:

1. Review survey results and analysis provided by the AISD Department of Program Evaluation and Mr. Wayne Lindauer
2. Develop two calendar drafts to give to the Superintendent and his Cabinet for input.
3. Present and/or distribute the two calendar drafts (adjusted to reflect Cabinet input) to various groups of stakeholders i.e. CACs, Council of Principals, DAC Executive and full Council, PTA Council, Superintendent's Teacher Advisory Forum (STAF), Peer Assistance and Leadership (PALs), and Student Focus Groups.
4. Revise and adjust calendars based on stakeholders' input.
5. Make final calendar selection to submit with draft board agenda item to the Superintendent's Cabinet.

The projected date for the calendar agenda item is scheduled for Board discussion on November 24, 2008 and Board action December 8, 2008.