

Annapolis Valley Regional School Board

AVRSB SCHOOL CALENDAR for 2008-09 - Revised

(The academic school year is from August 1, 2008 – July 31, 2009)

School Days/Month

2008: SEPTEMBER	1 Monday	- Labour Day	
	2 Tuesday	- First day for Teachers (day 1)	21
	3 Wednesday	- First day for Students	
	19 Friday	- all West Hants schools site based day	
	22 Monday	- all King County schools site based day	
	26 Friday	- all Annapolis County schools site based day	
	29, 30, Oct 1, 2 Mon to Thu	- Early Language Literacy Assessment (ELLA) Gr. 3 (a.m. only)	
OCTOBER	13 Monday	- Thanksgiving Day	
	7, 8, 9, 10 Tue to Fri	- Elementary Literacy Assessment (ELA) Gr. 6 (a.m. only)	
	21, 22 Tue to Wed	- Regional Marking Day for the ELLA Gr. 3	
	24 Friday	- Conference Day (Provincial/Regional) (day 38)	22
NOVEMBER	11 Tuesday	- Remembrance Day	19
	21 or 24	- Regional High School Inservice Day (by groups) see attached schedule	
DECEMBER	19 Friday	- Last teaching day before Christmas break (day 77)	15
2009: JANUARY	5 Monday	- First teaching day after Christmas break	
	26 Monday	- First possible exam day (gr. 10-12) in 1 st semester (day 93)	
	"	- NSE Math 12 and Advance Math 12 (a.m. only)	
	27 Tuesday	- NSE English and English Communications Gr. 12	
	28 Wednesday	- NSE Chemistry Gr. 12	20
	30 Friday	- Last teaching day of 1 st Semester (day 97)	
FEBRUARY	2 Monday	- First teaching day of 2 nd Semester (day 98)	20
	23, 24, 25, 26 Mon to Thu	- Junior High Literacy Assessment Gr. 9 (a.m. only)	
MARCH	13 Friday	- Last teaching day before March Break (day 127)	
	23 Monday	- First teaching day after March Break	17
APRIL	10 Friday	- Good Friday	
	13 Monday	- Easter Monday	20
MAY	TBA	- PISA (International Student Assessment (sampling of 15 yr olds)	
	18 Monday	- Victoria Day	20
JUNE	2, 3, 4 Tue to Thu	- Early Elementary Math Literacy Assessment (EEMLA) Gr. 3 (a.m. only)	
	12 Friday	- NSE Math 12 and Advanced Math 12 (not part of NS exam schedule)	
	17 Wednesday	- First possible exam day (Gr. 10-12 in 2 nd semester) (day 187)	
		- NSE English & English Communications Gr. 12	
	19 Friday	- NSE Chemistry Gr. 12	
	24 Wednesday	- Marking Day	
	25 Thursday	- Marking Day	21
		- Earliest possible evening for official closing exercises for highest grade level in your school. (See special notes attached) (day 193)	
	26 Friday	- *Earliest date for all other ML school closings; however no report cards here	
	29 Monday	- *Earliest morning for all other high school closings (day 195)	
		- Last day of school	195

Special Notes accompanying *Revised 2008-09 School Calendar*:

- A full **assessment schedule** is also available on the Department website: <http://plans.ednet.ns.ca>
- No more than **9** school days may be allocated for exams (inclusive of Nova Scotia exams)
- Of the 195 teacher days, the following days may be used:
 - no more than **8** days for organizational and administrative purposes or for in-service training programs;
 - **1** organizational day (September 2, 2008);
 - **2** common marking days (June 24 and 25, 2009) + *1 other marking day by school*;
 - **CANCELLED** - **1** regional inservice day;
 - **4** school-based days (*either 4 inservice days, or 5 inservice days (in place of the 3rd marking day)*)
- All teachers are required to be present on the days used for organizational and administrative purposes or inservice training programs and parent-teacher meetings. Pupils are not required to be present.
- In addition, **2 half-days** for purposes of parent-teacher meetings.
- In addition, one October conference day (Oct 24).
- In addition, a maximum of **8** Early Dismissals from banked time. (Early Dismissals require that students be in school for a minimum of 3 hours of instructional time. You cannot combine 2 half-day early dismissals to form a full day. You may combine 1 half-day school-based inservice with 1 half-day parent teacher to form 1 full day.

***Special Notes Regarding Closing Ceremonies and Report Card Distribution dates for June 2009:**

- The earliest date you may have for an official closing ceremony/graduation with distribution of report cards for the highest grade level in your school is the evening of June 25, 2009 (day 193).
- *Special year end ceremonies held prior to June 25 shall not be referred to as "closings" or "graduations" (please use: ceremony, celebration, etc). As well, report cards cannot be handed out at these events.*
- In situations where there is a school within a school (example, both a middle school and high school exists within your school), the highest grade level of the second school (example, grade 9) may also have a closing ceremony/graduation and receive report cards on the evening of June 25th.
- The earliest date for all other middle level school closings is the afternoon of June 26, 2009 (day 194); however, report cards cannot be handed out until the following Monday June 29th (day 195).
- The earliest date for all other high school closings is the morning of June 29th (day 195).

AVRSB REGIONAL INSERVICE DAYS – 2008-09 – CANCELLED!

Elementary School Regional Shut-down Days - CANCELLED

(Suggested Location Sites*)

Friday, September 12	Monday, September 15	Friday, September 19
Brooklyn DAHS Falmouth TMP Newport Stn Windsor Ele* Windsor Forks LEShaw	Champlain CRMS St. Mary's Port Williams Aldershot Kingston* Dwight Ross Glooscap New Minas	KCA Berwick Cambridge* Somerset Coldbrook Gaspereau Wolfville AHS BRHS GCS

Middle Level Regional Inservice Days - CANCELLED

(Focus: Writing in Action Consolidation)

Friday, September 26 Site: Central Kings		Monday, September 29 Site: EMS	
Schools	Grade Levels	Schools	Grade Levels
AWEC*	9	WHMS	7-9
BRHS	7-9	PRMS	6-8
MRHS	7-9	Hantsport	7-9
Coldbrook	7-8	Wolfville	7-9
CK*	7-9	EMS	6-8
Berwick	7-9	NKEC*	6/7-9
AVRSB	6-8	KCA	7-8
Windsor Ele*	9	Horton*	9

A release will be provided for Grade 9 teachers of these schools who wish to participate in this PD opportunity. Contact debbie.hubbert@avrsb.ednet.ns.ca (4737) if you require a sub.

High School Regional Inservice Days (Grades 10 to 12) CANCELLED

(Focus: Literacy Success 12)

Friday, November 21 Site: (tentative: West Kings)	Monday, November 24 Site: (tentative: Horton)
AWEC BRHS MRHS LEC CK WK	AVHS NKEC Horton HEC WHEC AHS

AVRSB Programs & Services Department
RESCHEDULED SITE-BASED DAYS FOR 2008-09

Dates:	September 19	September 22	September 26
School regions:	All West Hants Schools	All Kings County Schools	All Annapolis County Schools

Programs & Services Principals' Meetings for 2008-09
(at regional office unless otherwise advised)

Elementary	Middle Level	High School
November 5/08*	November 5/08*	November 6/08
January 28/09	February 4/09	January 21/09

* shared meeting date