



A Note From Our Superintendent

Southeast Polk Ram Family,

With the arrival of spring, I wanted to share an important update regarding our school calendar. This time of year includes better weather, longer days, and busier schedules. We would like to make sure that everyone is informed about key dates and changes so that you are aware and can plan ahead.

This year, our board-approved academic calendar consists of 1094.5 hours of instruction as defined by the Iowa Department of Education. We are required by code to have a minimum of 1080 hours of instruction in a year. With this winter's weather, we missed 19 instructional hours. This puts us at 1075.5 instructional hours - or 4.5 hours below the minimum required. By law and policy, the Southeast Polk School Board has complete discretion regarding how this time is made up.

At their regular meeting last night (4/10/25), the Southeast Polk School Board discussed options and voted to make up instructional hours by changing the last Wednesday in April and the first two Wednesdays in May into full student instructional days. This adds two instructional hours per Wednesday and puts us in compliance with state code requirements. The Wednesdays that will change to regular full days are:

- Wednesday, April 30, 2025
- Wednesday, May 7, 2025
- Wednesday, May 14, 2025

This will allow us to keep Wednesday, May 28, 2025, which is already scheduled for a full day, as the final day of the school year for students.

As we head into the home stretch of the school year, we encourage all our students to finish strong. These final weeks are a time to be proud of how far they have come, stay focused on their goals, and give their best effort as they wrap up the year. I am confident that with your encouragement and their hard work, they will finish the year on a high note.

Sincerely,

Dirk Halupnik

REVISED 2024-2025 Academic Calendar

2024-2025

Revised 4/10/25

Academic Calendar

Board Approved Nov. 16, 2023/Updated Aug. 8, 2024

If there are any school cancellations, the Board of Education will review those days and determine if/when they will be made up for the scheduled school year.

JULY							AUGUST							SEPTEMBER						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	K-12 Hours	Staff Days	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	K-12 Hours	Staff Days	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	K-12 Hours	Staff Days
1	2	3	4	5	-	-				1	2	-	-	2	3	4	5	6	61	18
8	9	10	11	12	-	-						-	-	9	10	11	12	13	91.5	23
15	16	17	18	19	-	-	12	13	14	15	16	-	3	16	17	18	19	20	122	28
22	23	24	25	26	-	-	19	20	21	22	23	6.5	8	23	24	25	26	27	146	33
29	30	31			-	-	26	27	28	29	30	37	13	30					152.5	34

OCTOBER							NOVEMBER							DECEMBER						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	K-12 Hours	Staff Days	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	K-12 Hours	Staff Days	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	K-12 Hours	Staff Days
	1	2	3	4	176.5	38					1	299	58	2	3	4	5	6	434	81
7	8	9	10	11	207.5	43	4	5	6	7	8	329.5	63	9	10	11	12	13	464.5	86
14	15	16	17	18	238	48	11	12	13	14	15	360	68	16	17	18	19	20	495	91
21	22	23	24	25	268.5	53	18	19	20	21	22	373	71	23	24	25	26	27	495	92
28	29	30	31		292.5	57	25	26	27	28	29	403.5	76	30	31				495	92

JANUARY							FEBRUARY							MARCH						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	K-12 Hours	Staff Days	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	K-12 Hours	Staff Days	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	K-12 Hours	Staff Days
		1	2	3	508	95	3	4	5	6	7	654	120	3	4	5	6	7	776	140
6	7	8	9	10	538.5	100	10	11	12	13	14	684.5	125	10	11	12	13	14	807	145
13	14	15	16	17	562.5	105	17	18	19	20	21	715	130	17	18	19	20	21	807	145
20	21	22	23	24	593	110	24	25	26	27	28	745.5	135	24	25	26	27	28	839.5	150
27	28	29	30	31	623.5	115								31					844	151

APRIL							MAY							JUNE							
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	K-12 Hours	Staff Days	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	K-12 Hours	Staff Days	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	K-12 Hours	Staff Days	
	1	2	3	4	868	155					1	2	990	175	2	3	4	5	6	-	-
7	8	9	10	11	898.5	160	5	6	7	8	9	1020.5	180	9	10	11	12	13	-	-	
14	15	16	17	18	929	165	12	13	14	15	16	1051	185	16	17	18	19	20	-	-	
21	22	23	24	25	959.5	170	19	20	21	22	23	1081.5	190	23	24	25	26	27	-	-	
28	29	30			977	173	26	27	28	29	30	1094.5	195	30					-	-	

Event	Details
Wednesday Schedule	Grades 6-12: 2 hour late start Grades K-5: 2 hour early out No AM/PM Preschool
Parent Teacher Conferences	Grades 6-12: 10/07/24 and 3/10/25 - 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. 10/09/24 and 03/12/25 - 12:30 to 7:30 p.m. Dismissal times: Grades 6-7 @ 11:10 a.m. Grades 8-12 @ 11:25 a.m. Grades K-5: 10/08/24 and 03/11/25 - 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. 10/10/24 and 03/13/25 - 12:30 to 7:30 p.m. Dismissal time between 11:35 to 11:50 a.m. Buildings will notify of specific dismissal times.
No School for Students	8/14 and 5/30: Staff Work Day 8/15-8/22, 9/20, 1/20 and 5/29: Staff Development Days
No School	Holidays - Winter Break - Spring Break - Parent Teacher Conference Break

Date	Event
Aug 12-13	New Teacher Staff Development
Aug 23	First Day of School Grades K-12
Sep 3	First Day for Little Rams Preschool
Oct 25	End of 1st Quarter
Nov 15	End of 1st Trimester
Jan 2	Classes Resume
Jan 17	End of 2nd Quarter End of 1st Semester
Feb 21	End of 2nd Trimester
Mar 24	Classes Resume
Mar 28	End of 3rd Quarter
May 16	Seniors Last Day of School
May 18	HS Graduation-The Knapp Center @ 1:30 p.m.
May 28	Last Day of School/End of 4th Quarter/ End of 3rd Trimester/End of 2nd Semester
K-12 Hours	Southeast Polk Community School District has elected to schedule a minimum of 1080 Instructional Hours in the District Calendar to meet State of Iowa requirements.