

## - HOLIDAYS:

JUL 4: Independence Day SEP 2: Labor Day OCT 7-11: Fall Break NOV 25-29: Thanksgiving DEC 23-JAN 3: Winter Break JAN 20: Martin Luther KingJr

FEB 17: President's Day MAR 10-14: Spring Break APR 18: Good Friday APR 21: Easter Monday MAY 26: Memorial Day JUN 19: Juneteenth

INTERSESSIONS:
Only students participating in Intersessions should report to school. FALL: October 14-18 SPRING: March 17-21
PARENTS:
PARENT NIGHTS: AUG 21, NOV 13, FEB 12, APR 30

## TEACHERS:

FIRST DAY: JULY 17, 2024 LAST DAY:MAY 30, 2025

## STUDENTS:

FIRST DAY for A-M: JULY 23, 2024 FIRST DAY for N-Z: JULY 24, 2024 LAST DAY: MAY 29, 2025 GRADUATION: MAY 23, 2025

## 1st NINE WEEKS

Starts: Jul 23 Ends: Oct 4 Progress Reports: Aug 21 Exams: Sept 23-27 Report Cards: Oct 28

| 2nd NINE WEEKS | 3rd NINE WEEKS |
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| Starts: Oct 21 Ends: Dec 20 | Starts: Jan 7 Ends: Mar 7 |
| Progress Reports: Nov 13 | Progress Reports: Feb 12 |
| 9 Weeks Exams: Dec 16-20 | 9 Weeks Exams: Mar 3-7 |
| Report Cards: Jan 13 | Report Cards: Mar 31 | 4th NINE WEEKS

Starts: Mar 24 Ends: May 29 Progress Reports: Apr 30 9 Weeks Exams: May 22-29 Report Cards: Jun 4



#### Abstract

The Starkville Oktibbeha School District operates a non-traditional calendar that provides teachers and students with meaningful breaks along with two intersession periods for innovative learning opportunities. Whether students need Accelerated Learning designed to help them catch up on key skills or Enhanced Learning aimed at helping students delve into their passion, purpose and potential, the modified calendar is... designed for innovation, driven by student needs \& scheduled for excellence!




## What can ACCELERATED <br> LEARNING Intersessions do for me?

You can catch up. Relearn skills you've missed and prepare for a successful new nine weeks.

You can get individualized instruction and meaningful intervention.

You can improve your grade. Raise failing grades before report cards are issued.

You can recover credits. Fall and Spring Accelerated Intersessions are two opportunities to redo coursework for graduation requirements.

## What can ENHANCED LEARNING Intersessions do for me?

## You can discover something new.

 From Culinary and CSI to Robotics and Renewable Energy to Aviation and the Arts, intersessions in exciting subject areas can spark your passion, purpose and potential!You can participate in ACT test prep sessions to maximize your performance.

You can experience field trips and hands-on learning opportunities as well as industry and college visits.

## ABOUT <br> INTERSESSIONS

## Small learning environments

Individualized instruction
Real time intervention
Reduced daily schedule
Transportation provided for Accelerated Learning

Meals provided

## WHAT IS NEW for the 2024-2025 ACADEMIC YEAR?

## TIERED FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

For the 2024-2025 Academic Year, SOSD will implement a tiered start to school to enable teachers to meet new students, receive supplies, introduce expectations and begin building relationships in a more intimate classroom environment with fewer students. We hope this new approach will help students to transition more easily into the new school year. Only students with a last name beginning with A-M will report for the first day of school on July 23. Only students with a last name beginning with $\mathbf{N}$-Z will report for the first day of school on July 24. All students will report to school beginning July 25.

## SHORTER FALL INTERSESSION \& FULL WEEK OF FALL BREAK

For the 2024-2025 school year, Fall Break will be expanded to a full week (October 7-11). This change will create an extended break for students and teachers at the end of each 9 -week term which we hope will provide much needed rest and renewal for a new start to learning. Additionally, in an effort to make Fall Jacket Thrive Intersession more efficient and effective, SOSD will implement a $\mathbf{5}$-day Fall Intersession (October 14-18), rather than the 8-day period used in previous years.

