

Book VCCCD Administrative Procedure Manual

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The Chancellor or his/her designee shall meet with the Ventura County Federation of College Teachers AFT Local 1828 each year to establish the instructional calendar for subsequent year(s).

Elements of the academic calendar include, but are not limited to the following:

* An academic year is defined as 175 days of instruction and evaluation
* Primary terms of the academic year are fall and spring semester, each consisting of at least 17.5 weeks
* Fall semester is the first semester of the academic year
* VCCCD subscribes to the flexible calendar option
* Balancing the total number of instruction days on each day of the week

Legally mandated holidays acknowledged by the Academic Calendar include:

* New Year’s Day (January 1)
* Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (Third Monday in January)
* Lincoln Day (February 12 or see Note below)
* Washington Day (Third Monday in February)
* Memorial Day (Last Monday in May)
* Independence Day (July 4)
* Labor Day (First Monday in September)
* Veterans Day (Fourth Thursday in November)
* Thanksgiving Day (Fourth Thursday in November)
* Christmas Day (December 25)

Terms and conditions of the summer sessions are established at the sole discretion of VCCCD management.

Note: Please refer to Education Code 79020 for laws regulating the scheduling of Lincoln Day, Veterans Day, and holidays that fall on weekends.

See [Board Policy BP 4010](https://go.boarddocs.com/ca/vcccd/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=83LD9G0DD705)