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To: Members, State Board of Education  
From: Kathy Goldenberg, President  
State Board of Education  
Subject: **Resolution to Adopt the Calendar of State Board Meetings - July 2020 - June 2021**

Attached is a draft resolution of meeting dates which lists the public meeting dates and public testimony sessions scheduled for July 2020 through June 2021. The resolution will be presented at both the May 6, 2020 public meeting at discussion level and again at the June 3, 2020 public meeting at adoption level. Due to past experiences with weather cancellations, four alternative dates have been added during the winter months to accommodate any need to cancel, see December\*\*, January\*\*, February\*\* and March\*\*. Also, State Board members have expressed a need to have more opportunities to discuss various education topics that require in depth conversations. Therefore, I propose we hold work sessions in September, January and May from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. followed by an Open Topic at 1:00 p.m. Open Topic Sessions would then be eliminated from the 2 p.m. public testimony that follows the regular State Board meeting schedule. The 2 p.m. public testimony timeframe would be reserved for registered participants to speak on the schedule for review of administrative code or resolutions currently before the members.

The State Board Office considered the following to determine which Wednesday of each month is most suitable for meetings and for the three work sessions/open topic testimony:

**Events**

Rosh Hashanah (begins sundown Sept. 18)	Sept. 18- 20, 2020
Yom Kippur (begins sundown Sept. 27)	Sept. 27-28, 2020
NJ Principals and Supervisors Conf., Atlantic City	Oct. 19-22, 2020
NJ School Boards Workshops, Atlantic City	Oct. 20-21, 2020
NASBE Annual Conference, Phoenix, AZ	Oct. 21-24, 2020
NJ Education Assoc. Convention, Atlantic City	Nov. 5-6, 2020
Hanukkah (begins sundown Dec. 10)	Dec. 10-18, 2020
Passover (begins sundown March 27)	March 27 - April 3, 2021
NJASA/NJAPSA Spring Conf., Caesars Atlantic City	May 13-15, 2020

**State Holidays**

Fourth of July	(State Offices closed July 3) July 4, 2020
Labor Day	Sept. 7, 2020
Columbus Day	Oct. 12, 2020
Election Day	Nov. 3, 2020
Veteran's Day	Nov. 11, 2020
Thanksgiving	Nov. 26, 2020
Christmas	Dec. 25, 2020
New Year's Day	Jan. 1, 2021
Martin Luther King's Birthday	Jan. 18, 2021
President's Day	Feb. 15, 2021
Good Friday	April 2, 2021
Memorial Day	May 31, 2021

Please note again that the three work session/open topic public testimony sessions are scheduled for September 2020 January 2021 and May 2021.

Please review these dates in anticipation of our discussion at the May 6, 2020 board meeting and let Diane Shoener know your thoughts about the plan for the work session/open topic meetings and if a date should be changed for this schedule of regular business meetings and testimony sessions.



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STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Discussion Resolution  
May 6, 2020

**Resolution**

**Annual Calendar of State Board Meeting/Public Testimony Dates**

**Whereas**, N.J.S.A. 18A:4-7 states that, the State Board of Education shall hold public meetings at least once each month at such times as its rules may prescribe and at such other times and such places within the state as in its judgment may be necessary, but no meeting may commence later than 8:00 p.m.; and

**Whereas**, N.J.A.C. 6A:1-2.2 requires that such meetings be held at such time, place, and on such dates as established by the State Board, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., Open Public Meetings Act, and notice of such meetings shall be made in a manner consistent with the law; now therefore be it

**Resolved**, that the State Board establishes the following dates for its monthly business meetings and public testimony sessions for the 2020-2021 school year and directs that a copy of the dates be sent to the Governor, the Secretary of State, the news media, the executive county superintendents, and the State Board agenda subscribers.

**Regular Public Business Meetings/Public Testimony Sessions 2020-2021**

July 1	November 4	March 3
August 5	December 2	April 7
September 9	January 6	May 5
October 7	February 3	June 2

**\*Public Work Session Meetings/Open Topic Testimony Sessions 2020-2021**

\*September 23      \*January 20      \*May 19

**\*\*Alternate Board Meeting Dates in The Event of Snow Cancellations**

\*\*December 16      \*\*January 20      \*\*February 17      \*\*March 17

Notice of changes in the above will be made in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act.

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Secretary, N.J. State Board of Education

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