

2009-10 Calendar Survey for Parents

Questions marked with an asterisk (*) require a response.

The Wake County Board of Education is conducting this survey to study parents' preferences for school calendar. Information collected will be used by the board for decisions for school year 2010-11. The survey consists of 17 questions and should take 5-10 minutes to complete per student. It is available **until noon on Monday, January 25th**.

The parents of each WCPSS student will receive a letter containing the student's NCWISE ID number which you will need to enter into the survey. This will help us ensure that we receive only one survey per student; it will also help us analyze data based on the child's attendance node and school. If you have more than one child in our school system, please respond to one survey per child using the ID number on the letter you received for each child. Please keep in mind that this is not a request for school assignment.

Thank you for taking the time to share your opinions regarding school calendar options in WCPSS schools.

Please note that questions labeled with an asterisk (*) require a response. Be sure to click on the "Submit" button at the end of each page to ensure that your responses are recorded.

1. * Please enter your child's NCWISE ID number:

2. Enter your child's How satisfied are you with this child's school, **without regard to the school calendar?**
 - Very Satisfied
 - Satisfied
 - Dissatisfied
 - Very Dissatisfied

3. How satisfied are you with your experience so far **with the calendar for this school?**
 - Very Satisfied
 - Satisfied
 - Dissatisfied
 - Very Dissatisfied

4. How satisfied were you with this child's school assignment **at the time he/she was placed at this school?**
 - Very Satisfied
 - Satisfied
 - Dissatisfied
 - Very Dissatisfied

5. How satisfied were you **with this child's school calendar at the time he/she was placed at this school?**
 - Very Satisfied
 - Satisfied
 - Dissatisfied
 - Very Dissatisfied

6. **Between these two types of calendars**, which do you prefer for this child?
- Traditional
 - Year-Round
 - No Preference
7. Would you still prefer the type of calendar you chose in question #6 for this child if convenient bus transportation could **not** be guaranteed?
- Yes
 - No
 - Not Sure
8. Would you still prefer the type of calendar you chose in question #6 **if this child had a sibling assigned to a different track or to a school with a different type of calendar?**
- Yes
 - No
 - Not Sure
9. Please indicate whether you would still prefer the type of calendar you chose in question #6 **if the nearest school with this calendar was each of the following distances from your home.** (Choose one response per line.)
- 0-5 miles – Yes or No
6-10 miles – Yes or No
10 or more miles – Yes or No
10. Please rate each of the four year-round calendar tracks **according to how acceptable it would be for this child.** (Click here for a copy of the calendar patterns for each track as of the 2009-10 school year.)
- Track 1 – Very Acceptable | Acceptable | Unacceptable | Very Unacceptable
Track 2 – Very Acceptable | Acceptable | Unacceptable | Very Unacceptable
Track 3 – Very Acceptable | Acceptable | Unacceptable | Very Unacceptable
Track 4 – Very Acceptable | Acceptable | Unacceptable | Very Unacceptable
11. Would you still desire a year-round calendar for this child **if he/she could not have the track that you wanted?**
- Yes
 - No
 - I do not want a year-round calendar for this child.
12. Assuming that your child were to stay at his/her current school, **would you prefer that the school keep the same calendar or change to another type?**
- Keep the Current Calendar Type
 - Change the Calendar Type
13. If your child's school converted to a calendar different from the one it now has, **how likely would you be to try to move your child to another school?**
- Very Likely

- Likely
- Unlikely
- Very Unlikely

14. Have you ever tried to move your child to another school specifically to have a year-round calendar?

- Yes
- No

If you are responding to the survey for a child who is currently in high school, please respond to questions 15 and 16. **If your child is in elementary or middle school**, please proceed to question 17 if you wish to comment. Otherwise, please scroll to the bottom of the page and click the "Submit" button to save your responses.

15. If this child attended a WCPSS school before high school, what type of calendar did this child experience in those years?

Elementary – Traditional | Year-round | Both | Did not attend a WCPSS school
Middle– Traditional | Year-round | Both | Did not attend a WCPSS school

16. If this child attended a year-round WCPSS school before high school, were you satisfied with that experience?

Elementary – Yes | No | Did not attend a WCPSS school
Middle– Yes | No | Did not attend a WCPSS school

17. (Optional) Please use this space to provide any additional comments.

This is the end of the survey. You may review and change any of your responses prior to clicking on the "Submit" button. Please click on the "Submit" button below to save your responses.