

**Albuquerque Public Schools
2008 – 2009 Traditional School Calendar**

Date, Day	Event
Aug. 7-8, Thurs/Friday.....	Registration
Aug. 11, Monday	Teacher Prep Day
Aug. 12, Tuesday	First Day of School
Sept. 1, Monday	Labor Day Holiday
Oct. 10, Friday	Fall Break
Nov. 4, Tuesday	Election Day (no classes)
Nov. 11, Tuesday	Veterans' Day Holiday
Nov. 27-28, Thurs/Friday	Thanksgiving Holiday
Dec. 19, Friday	Last Day of the First Semester
Dec. 22 – Jan. 2	Winter Break
Jan. 5, Monday	First Day of Second Semester
Jan. 19, Monday	Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
Feb. 16, Monday	Presidents' Day Holiday
March 23-27	Spring Break
April 9, Thursday	Teacher Training Day (no classes)
April 10, Friday	Vernal Holiday
May 22, Friday	Last Day of Second Semester
May 26-29	Snow Make-Up Days (if needed)
May 25, Monday	Memorial Day

The Albuquerque Public Schools Calendar is developed by a committee composed of students, parents, teachers and administrators. The committee, which is chaired by the director of labor relations for the district, then makes a recommendation to the APS Board of Education.

Among the requirements that the committee considered when developing the calendar were a minimum of 181 days of instruction; the need for teachers to work within a designated pay period, which affects the first day of school; and a need to have a minimum of four make-up days in case of inclement weather.

Other committee preferences included: that fall break coincide with balloon fiesta; that first semester be completed before winter break; and that the school year end before Memorial Day.