

# AP 4010 Academic Calendar

## Reference:

*Education Code Section 79020*

*Title 5 Sections 55700 et seq. 58142*

The academic year consists of 175 days of instruction. In-service days are considered part of the academic year. Statutory holidays are observed on the dates noted, or on alternate dates in accordance with Education Code 79020 and include:

1. New Year's Day (January 1)
2. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (third Monday in January)
3. Lincoln Day (varies)
4. Washington Day (third Monday in February)
5. Memorial Day (last Monday in May)
6. Independence Day (July 4)
7. Labor Day (first Monday in September)
8. Veteran's Day (varies)
9. Thanksgiving Day (fourth Thursday in November)
10. Christmas Day (December 25)

Winter Break Closure: The District will maintain the time between Christmas and New Year's Day as a Winter Break Closure (i.e., District will close operations from the last working day preceding Christmas at 5:00 p.m. and will reopen for operations the next working day following the recognized New Year's Day holiday at 8:00 a.m. All bargaining unit members will receive regularly paid holidays during the Winter Break Closure. The current approved local and legal holidays are to be utilized during this time. Part-time unit members would receive the same 14 paid holidays as is the holiday falls on a unit member's regular workday.

Other Holidays: The Board of Trustees may declare other days to be holidays and close the College when good reason exists. (These holidays traditionally have been the day after Thanksgiving, and two days before or around Christmas, depending

on the day of the week that Christmas day falls, and New Year's Eve day or another day around New Year's Day, depending on when New Year's Day is observed.)

Note: Education Code 79020 addresses the scheduling of Lincoln Day, Veterans Day, and holidays that fall on weekends.

The academic calendar is a negotiated item and must be approved by the Board of Trustees annually.

The Taft College Catalog contains the most recent information regarding the college calendar. This document is updated annually for currency and correctness.