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**Gregory-Portland Independent School District**

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**G-PISD District Calendar Approved for 2017-18**

*- First Day of School set for Thursday, August 17, 2017 -*

Classes will begin earlier than usual for Gregory-Portland ISD students this Fall, with the first day of school scheduled for Thursday, August 17, 2017. The last day of class will be Thursday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018, and graduation is scheduled for Friday, May 25<sup>th</sup>.

Teachers, staff, and community members from the District Calendar and Site-Based Decision-Making Committees were tasked with several challenges to develop the 2017-18 District Calendar. They had to meet all state requirements, work with a pre-set graduation date to end the school year, and most importantly prioritize the needs of students and families with regard to a schedule that will best support academic growth as well as holiday breaks.

These committees submitted a recommendation to Trustees that they agreed would satisfy these challenges and expectations for the next school year.

Creative scheduling ensured that students can enjoy a full week for Thanksgiving holiday and two weeks for Winter Break.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the approved 2017-18 District Calendar.

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