

February 2, 2024

Dear Challenger 7 Parents/Guardians,

As many of you know, Challenger 7 was a year-round school for 23 years. A large majority of our community had family members that attended our school year-round during this time frame and speak highly of its benefits. Within the last year, the Florida Department of Education announced the implementation of a modified calendar/year-round school pilot program for selected schools in the state. This program would begin with the 2024 – 2025 school year and would continue for four years. We are excited to announce that Challenger 7 Elementary has the opportunity to participate in this modified calendar/year-round school pilot program!

Currently, we are working with the district team to provide opportunities for the community and staff to provide feedback on this modified calendar/year round school option. **Please go to <https://forms.gle/MyGKw3ZXAHthjdLQ7> to provide feedback on the impact of this change, questions you have, and supports we can put in place to ease the transition.** While the program is called year-round school, it is important to note that students will still attend school for the standard 180 days. The year-round program provides more flexibility within the school schedule to determine start dates and breaks throughout the school year. The modified calendar would include maintaining the currently scheduled school breaks in the traditional school calendar to include spring break, Thanksgiving, and winter break. Students would still enjoy a summer break, but it would be shortened due to additional intercession breaks throughout the school year.

We will have a parent/guardian meeting on Thursday, February 15th from 5:30PM – 6:30PM in the cafeteria to provide you with more information and answer questions you may have.

Thank you for your feedback and patience as we determine the best plan for our community for the 2024-2025 school year. If you have any immediate questions, please contact me at 321-636-5801.

Sincerely,

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