



MONTEREY PENINSULA
COLLEGE

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

Chapter 4 Academic Affairs

4010

AP 4010 Academic Calendar

Monterey Peninsula College's 175.5 day academic year calendar consists of 165 days of instruction, 10 "flex" days," and 0.5 day of commencement.

Per Title 5, section 55701(a), The "college year" begins on the first day of July and ends on the last day of June. The "academic year" means that portion of the college year during which the community college is maintained, which shall include not less than 175 days of instruction as defined by section 58120. The academic year does not include summer or other intersessions.

Pursuant of Title 5, section 55002.5, courses that meet one day a week must have a minimum of 16 Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays to meet the required minimum 48 semester hours of total student work.

When possible, MPC shall strive to establish an academic calendar that coincides with California State University, Monterey Bay and local high school district academic calendars.

The academic calendar is created by the Office of Academic Affairs with input from a Calendar committee which consists of a representative of the District, Academic Senate, Monterey Peninsula College Teachers Association, Classified Staff Employee Association, and the Associated Students of Monterey Peninsula College. The Calendar committee shall meet annually to re-evaluate the Academic Calendar and make recommendations for subsequent years.

Holidays observed include:

1. New Year's Day (January 1)
2. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (Third Monday in January)
3. Lincoln Day (February 12 or see Note below)
4. Washington Day (Third Monday in February)
5. Cesar Chavez Day (March 31)*
6. Memorial Day (Last Monday in May)
7. Independence Day (July 4)
8. Labor Day (First Monday in September)
9. Native American Day (Fourth Friday in September)
10. Veterans Day (November 11)
11. Thanksgiving Day (Fourth Thursday in November)
12. Day after Thanksgiving (Fourth Friday in November)
13. Christmas Eve (December 24)



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14. Christmas Day (December 25)
15. Winter Break (additional days between December 24-December 31)
16. New Years Eve (December 31)*

*When "Cesar Chavez Day" falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the agreed-upon college closure day shall occur on the preceding Friday or succeeding Monday, respectively. If "Cesar Chavez Day" happens to fall on a weekday, there is no flexibility to move the corresponding holiday observance.

See Board Policy 4010 – Academic Calendar

References: *Education Code Section 79020;*
Title 5 Sections 55700 et seq. and 58142

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