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## DEPARTMENT OF BASIC EDUCATION

## NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY ACT, 1996 (ACT NO 27 OF 1996) 2025 CALENDAR FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

I, Angelina Matsie Motshekga, Minister of Basic Education, acting in terms of section 3(4)(k) of the National Education Policy Act, 1996, (Act No. 27 of 1996), and after consultation with the Council of Education Ministers, hereby publish the 2025 School Calendar for public schools in South Africa as detailed in the accompanying schedule.

MRS ANGIE MOTSHEKGA, MP

## MINISTER OF BASIC EDUCATION

DATE: 02/01/2023
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## 2025 CALENDAR FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS



July 2025


October 2025



November 2025



| Public and School Holidays 2025 |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 01 January | New Year's Day |
| 21 March | Human Rights Day |
| 18 April | Good Friday |
| 21 April | Family Day |
| 27 April | Freedom Day |
| 28 April | Freedom Day' observed |
| 29 April | Special school holiday |
| 30 April | Special school holiday |
| 01 May | Workers' Day |
| 02 May | Special school holiday |
| 16 June | Youth Day |
| 09 August | National Women's Day |
| 24 September | Heritage Day |
| 16 December | Day of Reconciliation |
| 25 December | Christmas Day |
| 26 December | Day of Goodwill |

## Weekends

Days for administration

School days
Public holidays

Special school holidays School holidays

## SUMMARY OF 2025 CALENDAR FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

| Duration | No. of weeks | No. of days | No. of public <br> holidays | Actual no. of <br> school days |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| (13) 15 January - 28 March | 11 | $53(55)$ | 1 | $52(54)$ |
| 08 April - 27 June | 12 | 59 | $5+3$ | 51 |
| 22 July - 03 October | 11 | 54 | 1 | 53 |
| 13 October - (10) 12 December | 09 | $43(45)$ | 0 | $43(45)$ |
| Total | 43 | $\mathbf{2 0 9 ( 2 1 3 )}$ | $7+3$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9}(\mathbf{2 0 3 )}$ |

