

RISE ACADEMY

2020 – 2021 SCHOOL CALENDAR

(Approved Extended Year)

August 17 th (Monday)	First Day of School – Full Day
September 7 th	Labor Day – No School
October 12 th	Student Holiday/Teacher Professional Day
October 29 th & 30 th	Half days, Students attend 8 a.m. to 12 noon. Parent/Teacher Conferences in afternoon & evenings.
November 20 th	<u><i>This is a FULL RISE DAY!!!</i></u>
November 23 rd -27 th	Thanksgiving Holiday – No School
December 18 th	Early dismissal @ 2:00 p.m.
December 21 st – January 1 st	Winter Break – No School
January 4 (Monday)	First Day of School for New Year – <u><i>Full Day</i></u>
January 11	<u><i>This is an Asynchronous Remote Learning Day Due to Bad Weather!</i></u>
January 18	<u><i>This is an Asynchronous Remote Learning Day!!!</i></u>
March 11 & 12	Half Days, Students MUST attend 8 a.m. to 12 noon. Parent/Teacher Conferences in afternoons and evenings.
March 15 – 19	Spring Break – No School
April 1	<u><i>This is a FULL RISE DAY!!!</i></u>
April 2	Early dismissal @ 12:00 p.m. (There <u><i>is</i></u> school on Monday, April 5!!)
May 27	Last Day of School – <u><i>12:00 p.m. Dismissal</i></u>
Bad Weather Makeup Days	May 28 & June 1 (If needed)

STAAR DATES – April 6, May 4, 6-7, May 11-13
Summer School – June 7, 2021 – July 23, 2021

NOTE: The Rise Academy calendar is not the same as the LISD calendar. *On days that LISD has scheduled half-days, Rise Academy is scheduled for FULL DAYS!!!* Rise students must attend according to this calendar. Unexcused absences are subject to disciplinary consequences. (See back for consequences for absences on LISD days off)

ATTENDANCE WARNING!!

Rise Academy is an independent school and not part of the local public district.

Unexcused Absences on LISD Off Days will result in Loss of All Student Field Trips for the remainder of the school year for students with such absences. Any tests missed are recorded as zeroes. Any absences not documented with a doctor's note on these days are considered unexcused. The LISD "Off Days" are shown below:

October	5 & 12
January	4 & 5
February	15
March	1

This policy was made necessary by the extreme number of absences in previous years on these LISD "Off Days." The absence rates at Rise Academy in past years on LISD "Off Days" were around 20 percent. That is absolutely unacceptable and translates in lost learning to students and a significant loss of money to our school.

In addition, unexcused absences during the week just before and/or after scheduled vacations/holidays will also result in loss of remaining field trips as described above. Please don't extend school vacations with extra days off before or after they are scheduled. The scheduled vacations/holidays are shown below:

Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Winter Break, & Spring Break

We thank the vast majority of parents who followed the Rise Academy calendar last year and sent their children to school on these days. It does matter.

Note: For the safety of our staff/students the schedule may have to be adjusted/changed due to COVID-19 recurrences or issues related to the pandemic.