



# 2014-15 School Operational Plan: Performing and Fine Arts High School



## 2014-15 School Operational Plan at Performing and Fine Arts High School

- 1. Allocation of discretionary funds made available by the principal, including in areas such as: wraparound services for students and families, after-school programs, and school supplies.** Discretionary funds are those remaining after a school budgets for district services, partner fees, staff salaries and stipends.

For the 2014-15 school year, discretionary funds have been allocated in the following amounts:

- Supplies & materials: \$22,665.00
- Teachers' Choice: \$3,800
- Operating expenses: \$5,850
- Transportation: \$3,100

Any transfer or use of additional funds received over the course of the school year will be determined by the principal.

- 2. School curriculum issues.**

Performing and Fine Arts High School will use a curriculum framework aligned with the state Common Core standards. Teachers may be asked to assist in developing new and improved curricula for their own use and that of other teachers in the building.

- 3. Professional development activities applicable to the school as a body.** This does not include individualized professional development or coaching of teachers.

Teachers may be required to participate in professional development activities throughout the school year, including before and after the school day for students, and before or after the school year ends. If possible, at least one week's notice will be given to teachers before any required professional development activities. Expected professional development activities include up to 7 days of on-site professional development and planning time, with each day including up to 8 hours of professional development and/or staff planning time. Specifically:

- 8/15 (New Teacher PD)
- 8/18
- 8/19
- 9/9
- 11/4
- 2/5 – ½ Day PD
- 4/9 – ½ Day PD

- 4. Calendar.**

Please see the attached 2014-15 school year calendar. Any change to the school year calendar is subject to the Superintendent's approval. If possible, at least one month's notice will be given to teachers before any change to the school calendar. The school calendar will include:

- 180 days for students and up to 185 days for teachers.
- All federal and state holidays.
- Winter break, Mid-winter break, Spring break.



## 5. Work before and/or after the regular school year.

Returning teachers are expected to report to work on August 18, 2014. New teachers to Lawrence High School Campus are expected to report to work on August 15, 2014. The final work day for teachers is June 17, 2015. If possible, at least one month's notice will be given to teachers before any change to the start and end of the school year.

## 6. Schedule for staff and students.

Teachers at each school will receive a duty-free lunch and regular preparatory time.

Attached is a preliminary schedule for the 2014-15 school year. This schedule is subject to change prior to and during the school year.

The standard workday for educators will be 6 hours, 57 minutes. For the majority of educators, required hours will be approximately 8:20am–3:17pm.

Except in rare circumstances, teachers will be expected to teach no more than 1400 minutes per week. Teachers will typically have 1 planning periods every school day. This time can be to plan, grade, collaborate with their colleagues, etc. Teachers may be asked to perform some duties during this time.

All staff members are expected to participate in professional development, collaboration activities and/or staff/building meetings on the second Monday of every month for 60 minutes in addition to up to 7 days of school based Professional Development during the school year.

In addition to traditional responsibilities and those duties listed above, all staff at the Performing and Fine Arts High School may be expected to be involved in educational and administrative activities that are necessary to fulfill the mission of the school. These activities may include, but are not limited to:

- Participation in 3 family conference evenings during the school year; with the exception of the Grade 9 team, which will participate in 4 conference events;
- Attend at least one student arts event during the school year. Including but not exclusive of; a dramatic production, art show, musical concert or dance recital;
- Phone calls to families about the academic progress of students;
- Preparation of individual student weekly reports, Progress Reports, and Report Cards;
- Leading student extracurricular activities;
- Participating in staff recruitment and selection processes;
- Working regularly with school administrators to improve one's instructional practices;
- Attending student-related meetings; and
- Serving as an advisor to a small cohort of students.

## 7. Scheduling of school-wide parent/teacher meetings. Mandatory attendance at 3 Parent/Teacher Conference meetings with and additional Parent/Teacher for incoming Grade 9 students tentatively scheduled for the evening of August 20, 2014.



Performing and Fine Arts High School will hold 3 parent-teacher conferences during the 2014-15 school year. One of the conferences will be devoted to the school wide arts festival. These are tentatively scheduled to be held at the end of the first marking period and midyear marking period and may be subject to change. Grade 9 teachers will also be asked to hold a voluntary parent/ student's conference for incoming freshmen before the school year commences.

## **8. Notices and announcements.**

Teachers will be notified in advance of special events which will involve students such as health testing, assemblies, etc. Classroom interruptions for notices or public address announcements will be kept at an absolute minimum.

## **9. School health and safety issues.**

Working with central office, the school will make every effort to provide appropriate materials, space, and technology to support effective teaching and learning.

Security of school premises will be maintained and visitors to the school will be required to check in upon entry.

Every effort will be made to mitigate painting or repairs to buildings while school is in session, to avoid distractions or interruptions to student learning.

## **10. Staff dress code.**

Faculty and Staff at the Performing and Fine Arts High School are asked to dress professionally for a school setting. Excessively casual clothing such as jeans, sweatshirts, and flip flops is not permitted.

## **11. Rotation of duties.**

During a typical Monday-Friday week, all staff members are expected to perform additional duties that are necessary to fulfill the mission of Performing and Fine Arts High School. These duties may include, but are not limited to:

- Class Coverage, not exceeding 70 minutes per day
- Coverage of lunch periods, break periods, or block periods the length of the period
- Coverage of afterschool activities, not exceeding 10 minutes per day or 40 minutes per week

Staff may be asked to perform additional duties or responsibilities not listed here. Some additional responsibilities may come with additional compensation in the form of stipends, but should not be expected.

## **12. Class size.**

The Performing and Fine Arts High School commits to ensuring a reasonable class size for students and teachers. Class sizes may be differentiated, to support student learning and teacher development.



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## 13. Bulletin boards.

Teachers may be asked to support the development and maintenance of bulletin boards in hallways. The Lawrence Teachers Union will be provided a clearly designated bulletin board for the purpose of posting Union-related notices and other materials. Such space will be provided in each building for the exclusive use of the Union.



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## Performing and Fine Arts High School, 2014-2015 Calendar

**Student Hours: 8:30 AM - 3:07 PM**

**Teacher Hours: 8:20 AM - 3:17 PM**

Aug./Sept.	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	February	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Staff Days:	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Staff Days:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
30 Days	17	18	19	20*	21	22	23	15 Days	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Student Days:	24	25**	26	27	28	29	30	Student Days:	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
27 Days	31	1	2	3	4	5	6	15 Days	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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	14	15	16	17	18	19	20								
	21	22	23	24	25	26	27								
	28	29	30												

  

October	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	March	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Staff Days:	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Staff Days:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
22 Days	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	15 Days	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Student Days:	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	Student Days:	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Days	26	27	28	29	30	31		22 Days	22	23	24	25	26	27	28

  

November	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	April	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Staff Days:	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Staff Days:	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
16 Days	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16 Days	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Student Days:	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	Student Days:	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
15 Days	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	16 Days	26	27	28	29	30		
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December	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	May	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Staff Days:	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Staff Days:	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
15 Days	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	20 Days	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Student Days:	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	Student Days:	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
15 Days	28	29	30	31				20 Days	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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January	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	June	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Staff Days:	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Staff Days:	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
19 Days	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	13 Days	14	15	16	17*	18	19	20
Student Days:	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	Student Days:	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
19 Days	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	13 Days	28	29	30				

184 Teacher Days - 180 Student Days

<p>Aug. 15 New Teacher Orientation</p> <p>Aug. 18 School-based Teacher PD &amp; Prep</p> <p>Aug. 19 LPS All Staff Opening</p> <p>Aug. 20* School Opens Grades 1 - 12</p> <p>Aug. 20 - 22 PK - K Screening</p> <p>Aug. 25** School Opens PK - K</p> <p>Aug. 29-Sept. 1 Labor Day Weekend</p> <p>Sept. 9 Primary Election Day (PD for staff)</p> <p>Oct. 13 Columbus Day</p> <p>Nov. 4 Election Day (PD for staff)</p> <p>Nov. 11 Veteran's Day</p> <p>Nov. 26 Early Dismissal (Thanksgiving)</p> <p>Nov. 27 - 28 Thanksgiving Break</p>	<p>Dec. 22 - Jan. 2 Winter Break</p> <p>Jan. 5 School Re-opens</p> <p>Jan. 19 Martin Luther King Day</p> <p>Feb. 5 Early Dismissal (PD for staff)</p> <p>Feb. 16 - 20 Mid-Winter Break</p> <p>April 3 Good Friday</p> <p>April 9 Early Dismissal (PD for staff)</p> <p>April 20 - 24 Spring Break</p> <p>May 25 Memorial Day</p> <p>June 17 Last Day of School (includes 5 days for inclement weather)</p>	
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**No school for students and staff**

**Early Release at 11:55 AM**

**No school for students/Staff professional development day**