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### Calendar Items

**December 23-January 6:** Christmas Break; First Day of School after Christmas Break is January 7, 2025

### Acadience Reading and Math Testing

State required Acadience Reading and Math Testing Dates have been set. The window for the reading portion of the tests is December 1-January 24. Your student's teacher should be contacting you for an appointment time to do the middle of year testing. The testing is brief- please be sure to make an appointment so the testing can be done within the testing window. The Acadience Math testing is scheduled for January 14, 2025. This middle of year testing will be done by the principal of eSchool at the eSchool office, in-person. 2nd grade will be tested from 8:30-9:00 a.m.; 3rd grade will be tested from 9:00-9:30 a.m.; 1st grade will be tested from 9:45-10:10 a.m. and; Kindergarten will be tested from 10:30-11:00 a.m. The testing is brief- please be sure you bring your students to complete this state-mandated test for the middle of the year.

### Provo City School District Strategic Plan

The district superintendent and leadership team have created a 5-year Strategic Plan for the district. This team has worked on the plan for several months and it was recently finalized. Please take time to read the Strategic Plan that is in effect for 2025-2030. Here is the URL to the strategic plan that is available to read online. Please let us know if you have a questions about the plan.

**Strategic Plan URL:** <https://provo.edu/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/pcsd-strategic-plan-v10.pdf>

### Truancy and Absenteeism

In eSchool, in place of regular attendance marks given daily like in-person schools do, each week students are given Participation Scores (P-scores). A P0 score means students did not login, did not complete work, or contact their teacher for the week. A P2 score means a student logged in, completed work, and made appropriate progress for the week. If a student receives a P0 score for the week, eSchool emails and texts parents about the P0 score. If a student receives two consecutive P0s, the students K12 account will be locked. Parents will be given until the following Friday to contact eSchool and assure them their student would be logging on and completing their school work moving forward. If the parent does not contact eSchool by the following Friday, eSchool will unenroll the student from eSchool for non-participation/attendance. The parent of the unenrolled student will be sent a certified letter explaining the drop for non-participation/attendance. The parent then must enroll their dropped student at the home school where students live. This is all done according to the 10-day Drop Rule the state has implemented- stating that a student who is absent from school for 10 consecutive days, by law must be dropped by the school. Please read the Compulsory Education Law and 10-day Drop Rule Law from the URLS below and contact eSchool for any questions or concerns you may have.

**Compulsory Educations Law URL:** <https://le.utah.gov/xcode/Title53G/Chapter6/53G-6-S202.html>

**Utah 10-day Drop Rule:** The 10-day drop rule in Utah states that a student will be withdrawn from school after 10 consecutive days of unexcused absences:

- **Notification**  
The school will send a certified letter to the parents to notify them of the pending withdrawal.
- **Response time**  
The school will give the parents enough time to respond before withdrawing the student.
- **Re-enrollment**  
The parents will need to re-enroll their student, which could affect their class placement, choice application, and class credit.

### This Month's Issue:

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