## **ACADEMIC CALENDAR**

Desert Community College District has determined that the College shall follow a 16-week calendar. The academic year shall be a minimum of 175 days of instruction and evaluation.

Each year, a committee made up of representatives from all relevant college groups shall meet and determine the academic calendar for the year following the next academic year. Observed holidays shall include:

Labor Day (First Monday in September)

Veteran's Day (November 11 or see note below)

Thanksgiving Day (Fourth Thursday in November)

Christmas Day (December 25)

New Year's Day (January 1)

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (Third Monday in January)

Lincoln's Birthday (February 12 or see note below)

Washington's Birthday (Third Monday in February)

Other Holidays: The Board of Trustees may declare other days to be holidays and close the college and offices when good reason exists. (These holidays traditionally have been New Year's Eve day, the day after Thanksgiving, and Christmas Eve day, etc.)

Reference: Education Code Section 79020; Title 5 Sections 55700 et. seq., 58142

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