

# Instructional Days Amendment Request

## Charterholder Info

### Charter Holder

**Name:**  
East Valley Educational  
Services, L.P.

**CTDS:**  
07-86-83-000

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### Representative

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## Contractual Days

180

**To**  
144

**Fiscal Year Effective Date**  
2016

**Type of Change**  
Permanent Change

## Attachment

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## Signature

Charter Representative Signature  
Janet Stoepplmann 08/21/2015

MINUTES  
EAST VALLEY ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL  
Date: June 15, 2015  
Time: 2:00 PM  
Location: 1858 East Brown Road, Mesa, AZ 85203  
Members Present: Ken Ryan, Janet Stoepplmann  
Members Absent: 0

GENERAL SESSION

I. Roll Call

Kenneth Ryan and Janet Stoepplmann present

II. Directors' Report/Update

Kenneth Ryan announced that East Valley Academy would be making a change to a four-day week for the academic year 2015-2016. This will change the calendar from 180 to 144 instructional days, but will still meet the instructional hourly requirements of 712 hours for K-3 grade and 890 hours for 4-6 grade. The school day will run from 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM.

The directors set the 2015-2016 school calendar and decided on August 3rd (7:00 PM) as open house for parents with a start date of August 10, 2015 and a closing date of May 24, 2016.

Ken Ryan, Co-Director of East Valley Academy, motioned to accept the change to a four-day week for the new calendar of academic year 2015-2016. Janet Stoepplmann seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

III. Kenneth Ryan announced the planning and execution of a new school website to increase public access. The website should be ready by June 24<sup>th</sup>.

IV. Adjournment/Date of next board meeting established

The Co-operators requested another Board meeting be convened as needed at 1858 E. Brown Road, Mesa, AZ. Board meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM.



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CTDS: **078683000**  
 Name: **East Valley Academy**  
 Fiscal Year: **2015/2016**  
 Track Number: **N/A** Days In Session: **144**  
 Status: **Active 06/26/2015** Access: **Full**  
 Calendar Type: **4-Day Week Calendar** Absence Reporting: **Not Applicable**  
 Minimum Days In Session : **144**  
 Default Days In Session : **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday**

**Summary**

Date	Day of Week	Occasion
8/10/2015	Monday	First Day Of Class
8/14/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
8/21/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
8/28/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
9/4/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
9/7/2015	Monday	Labor Day
9/11/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
9/18/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
9/25/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
10/2/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
10/9/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
10/12/2015	Monday	Fall Break
10/13/2015	Tuesday	Fall Break
10/14/2015	Wednesday	Fall Break
10/15/2015	Thursday	Fall Break
10/16/2015	Friday	Fall Break
10/23/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
10/26/2015	Monday	40th Day
10/30/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
11/6/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
11/11/2015	Wednesday	Veteran's Day
11/13/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
11/20/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
11/25/2015	Wednesday	School Not In Session
11/26/2015	Thursday	Thanksgiving Day
11/27/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
12/4/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
12/11/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
12/18/2015	Friday	School Not In Session
12/21/2015	Monday	First Day Of Winter Break
12/22/2015	Tuesday	Winter Break
12/23/2015	Wednesday	Winter Break
12/24/2015	Thursday	Winter Break
12/25/2015	Friday	Christmas Day
12/26/2015	Saturday	Winter Break
12/27/2015	Sunday	Winter Break
12/28/2015	Monday	Winter Break
12/29/2015	Tuesday	Winter Break
12/30/2015	Wednesday	Winter Break
12/31/2015	Thursday	Winter Break
1/1/2016	Friday	Last Day of Winter Break
1/8/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
1/15/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
1/18/2016	Monday	Martin Luther King Day
1/22/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
1/29/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
2/5/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
2/12/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
2/15/2016	Monday	Presidents' Day
2/19/2016	Friday	School Not In Session

2/15/2016	Monday	Presidents' Day
2/19/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
2/26/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
3/1/2016	Tuesday	100th Day
3/4/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
3/11/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
3/14/2016	Monday	Spring Begin
3/15/2016	Tuesday	Spring Break
3/16/2016	Wednesday	Spring Break
3/17/2016	Thursday	Spring Break
3/18/2016	Friday	Spring End
3/25/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
4/1/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
4/8/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
4/15/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
4/22/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
4/29/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
5/6/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
5/13/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
5/20/2016	Friday	School Not In Session
5/21/2016	Saturday	School Not In Session
5/22/2016	Sunday	School Not In Session
5/24/2016	Tuesday	Last Day Of Class

**Note:**

**Local education agencies can activate a calendar or edit an activated calendar prior to 9/1/2015**

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## **East Valley Academy (078683101)**

### **Narrative**

East Valley Academy's board voted to change to a four day week for the academic year 2015-2016 (to be effective beginning August 10, 2015) at the June 15, 2015 board meeting. This will change the calendar from 180 to 144 instructional days, but will still meet the instructional hourly requirements of 712 hours for K-3 grades and 890 hours for 4-6 grades. The school day will run from 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM. East Valley Academy has only one campus located at 1858 E. Brown Road, Mesa, AZ 85203 and, therefore, this change will affect only one site.

East Valley Academy has been an A rated school through the majority of its sixteen year history and has always met AYP requirements. The school has utilized multiple grade level integrated classes since its inception in 1999, the same model used by our pioneering ancestors in the early days of our nation's history. Older students mentor younger ones under our watchful eye and the expectation that you, as a student in this school, are here to experience the joy of learning is inculcated from day one. We take the business of learning very seriously.

The instructional schedule will be streamlined by removing some time from that allotted to recess, adding one-half hour of instructional time at the end of the day, and eliminating classes on Friday. This will meet the required instructional

hours for all grades K-6 and allow a more efficient running of the school (drive-time/cost of operations). Parents *and* students will both benefit from having no classes on Friday, as there will be more time for parental assistance with school assignments and an extra day for students to complete assignments with parental help. We believe, as well, that the extra day removed from the classroom will serve to de-stress our students and return them to us each Monday morning more rested and ready to learn. Rested students do tend to be better achievers.

Finally, many of our parents have requested a four-day school schedule with the understanding that there would be no cutback of instructional hours, curriculum, or quality of teacher-student interaction.

We have been the top-rated small charter school in Arizona since 2013 and we will continue with our mission to excel.