

Response to Eliminating February/April Vacation Motion

TO: Jeannine Durkin, Acting Superintendent of Schools
FROM: Robin Desmond, Assistant Superintendent Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment *Robin Desmond*
DATE: January 10, 2019
RE: *Response to Eliminating February/April Vacation Motion*

The following report is in response to the motion by Gerard Nutter:

School Committee / Administration consider eliminating February/April Vacation beginning in the 2019/2020 School Year, creating 1 Vacation week in March.

Lowell Public Schools administration created a Google form survey. All building leaders were asked to provide staff the link to the survey. A screenshot of the survey and the survey results has been copied and pasted below. At this point, 1,156 staff have responded to the question. The current results of the survey are: 22.4% are in favor of eliminating February/April vacations and 77.6% are not in favor of eliminating February/April vacations.

School Committee Motion on Vacation

* Required

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Select YES if you are in favor of eliminating the February and April vacations, and adding a March vacation for the 2019/2020 school year. Select NO if you want to keep February and April vacations in future school year calendars.

In favor of the motion? *

- Yes
- No

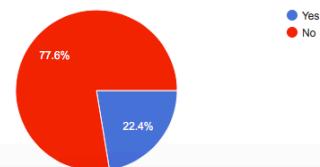
Survey question provided to staff

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Results as of January 10, 2019