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MEMORANDUM FOR SUPERINTENDENTS, DoDDS-EUROPE
PRINCIPALS, DoDDS-EUROPE

SUBJECT: Accelerated Withdrawal Due to PCS SY 2012-13

The DoDEA provision for permitting the early withdrawal of students with full semester credit is based on careful consideration of the unique circumstances found in the DoDDS system. This policy recognizes that due to military necessity, families are occasionally required to move prior to the end of the school year and that children should not be penalized for this. The 20-day limit provides reasonable flexibility without compromising academic standards or placing the student in an untenable position in regard to mastery of curriculum content. This provision was never intended to apply to, or be extended for, the convenience of family travel, visits, or other discretionary reasons. The policy therefore requires that students present verification of the date of their sponsor's departure, i.e., Permanent Change of Station (PCS) or other official orders, to school officials in order to receive consideration for full academic credit. Students who withdraw prior to the 20-day limit receive a "withdrawal" grade rather than a final grade.

The accelerated withdrawal dates for SY 2012-2013 are as follows:

- Most DoDDS-E Schools: December 13, 2012 (First Semester) and May 16, 2013 (End of SY). Students must be in school all day on the last school day prior to the accelerated withdrawal date (December 12 and May 15 respectively).

- AFNORTH, Bahrain, Geilenkirchen, Kleine Brogel, and SHAPE Schools: See individual school calendars. Students must be in school all day on the last school day prior to the accelerated withdrawal date.

You should be confident of my complete support should you be questioned or challenged in the enforcement of this policy.

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cc:
Service Liaisons

DoDDS-E – 2012/2013 - Calendar

August						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	1

8 – Mandatory Administrator Reporting Date
22 – First Day for Teachers
27 – First Day for Students

September						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	1	2	3	4	5	6

3- Labor Day - Holiday

October						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

8 – Columbus Day - Holiday

November						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	1

1-Last Day for 1st Garding Period
2-Teacher Work Day
12- Veterans Day Celebrated - Holiday
22- Thanksgiving – Holiday
23- Recess Day

December						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	1	2	3	4	5

13-Accleration Date – 1st Semester
24-Winter Recess Begins
25-Christmas - Holiday

January						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2

1-New Years Day – Holiday
7- Instruction Resumes
21-Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – Holiday
24- Last Day of 1st Semester
25- Teacher Work Day

February						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	1	2

18- President's Day - Holiday

March						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
24	25	26	27	28	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	1	2	3	4	5	6

April						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	1	2	3	4

8- Spring Recess Begins
16- Instruction Resumes

May						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	1

27- Memorial Day - Holiday

June						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	1	2	3	4	5	6

13- Last Day of 4th Grading Period – Last Day of School for Students
14- Last Day for Teachers

July						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

	Holiday – No School		Instruction Resumes		School Recess – No School		Teacher Work Day – No School for Students
	Earliest Date for Accelerated Withdrawal						