

NOVATO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Instruction Division

Minimum Day Schedule for Science Training
September 24, 2008
January 7, 2009

K-5 Back to School Night Parent Information

In order to meet the rigorous California standards in Science, the Novato Unified School District Board of Trustees has recently adopted new standards-based curriculum for all its K-12 students.

All K-5 students will be learning Science this year using an inquiry-based science program called FOSS. The FOSS Program is standards-based and state approved. The program includes age appropriate developmental investigations with in-depth exposure to subject matter that is challenging and engaging in the study of the Life, Physical, Biological, and Earth Sciences. This year, Novato has received a partnership grant for K-5 teacher training to work with science experts from the San Francisco Exploratorium and the Lawrence Hall of Science in Berkeley. With School Fuel's support, all teachers will have the opportunity for training this year.

Two of the training days this year will be minimum days for students.

Wednesday, September 24th and Wednesday, January 7

All students in K-5 will be dismissed at 12:30 pm

Teacher training will take place from 1:15 - 4:00 on the new Science program

Please remember to mark your calendars.

Below is a list of minimum days that are on the master calendar for all K-5 elementary schools. Transportation will be in operation on all minimum school days.

2008 Elementary School Minimum Day Schedule

Day	Date	Time	Purpose
Wednesday	September 24	8:30-12:30	Professional Development Science
Monday-Friday	November 13-17	8:30-12:30	Parent Conferences
Wednesday	January 7, 2009	8:30-12:30	Professional Development Science
Thursday	April 2	8:30-12:30	Open House for Pleasant Valley
Thursday	June 11	8:30-11:30 am	Last Day of School

For more information, please check with your child's teacher or school office.