The number of service days that define a traditional academic year is 175. The District has adopted the flexible calendar option and designated ten of the 175 service days as flex days for all full-time faculty.

The Academic Calendar is developed by the Calendar Committee which convenes to consider and recommend the District’s Academic Calendar for the following year consistent with all applicable articles of the Agreement between the Board of Trustees, Joint Community College District and Sierra College Faculty Association. After presentation of the recommended calendar to the Academic Senate for consultation and the SCFA Executive Board for approval, it is forwarded to the President for action.

The District agrees not to schedule any of the normal work year service days on any of the following days:

- Labor Day ......................... First Monday in September
- Veterans Day ..................... In November under parameters of Education Code
- Thanksgiving Day ............... Fourth Thursday in November
- Day after Thanksgiving ....... Fourth Friday in November
- Christmas Day ................... December 25
- New Year’s Day ................. January 1
- Martin Luther King’s Day .... Third Monday in January
- Lincoln’s Birthday .............. In February under the parameters of Education Code
- Washington’s Birthday ....... Third Monday in February
- Week of Spring Break .......... To be determined each year by Committee
- Memorial Day ..................... Last Monday in May
- Independence Day .............. July 4
The Board may declare other days to be holidays and close the college and offices when good reason exists.

See Board Policy 4010.