

Should the Fall semester end earlier?

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It is Friday afternoon at Central State University. Many students are packing their bags to spend Thanksgiving week at home with their families, some are packing more than a couple of items to last for the week. Some students do not plan to return to campus until January for the start of the winter semester.

A number of students believe that the Fall semester should end the week of Thanksgiving, they believe it will be more convenient. Some students live almost ten hours away and traveling can be tiresome.

Senior Hydia Ivery lives in Georgia and the drive to Central State is 11 hours. “ Sometimes the schedule is confusing, I think they should have Thanksgiving break and Christmas break combined,” Ivery said. “I think it should be one whole break, maybe starting the school year a week earlier. I think it would make it easier for the students who live further away.”

Professor Roger Anderson leads the committee that creates the academic calendar. Anderson is new to Central State and new to the position. The academic calendar for the school year 2021-2022 was created and approved years ago.

Anderson is open to faculty and student input when creating the schedule. “ We are going to have a poll that will be sent out to faculty to see what they want for their academic calendar, to see what their preferences are.” Anderson said. “ As far as getting student input, that will be our next step. We can have a student member on the committee to raise the student voice.” He says he thinks it would be great for a student to come to the meetings and voice concerns.