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## Later school start makes economic sense

### To the Editor:

Not only does it make more sense to start school after Labor Day from a health standpoint, even though it necessitates the end of school in June, it also makes more economic sense.

With some isolated exceptions, the overall weather pattern in this area is for August to be a much hotter month than June, even during years when it is not as extreme as this year.

It would be interesting to see some kind of comparative analysis that is able to quantify how much each school system spends on air conditioning and related expenses during the weeks in August school is in session; compared to what it would spend during the weeks in June that would be utilized should the school year start after Labor Day.

My guess is that it would not only be more comfortable and healthier for the students and teachers alike to start school in September, but it would be a wiser use of taxpayer dollars as well. I would much rather see my tax dollars going for books and classroom furnishings, than to excessive air conditioning costs that wouldn't be needed if our school officials across the state used common sense.

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