26 First/Last day for students | **Bold calendar type**— See explanations below

2013 – 2014 School Calendar

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August

- 12-14 New teacher orientation.
- 15-16 Reading Program training for new teachers.
 - 17 Fall Sports begin.
- 19–22 Opening activities for teachers (To include the equivalent of 2 teacher workdays). Aug. 20: Prof. Development Day.
 - 23 Schools closed for teachers.
 - 26 Schools open for grades 1-5 and grades 6 and 9 only.
- 26–28 Conferences for Half-day Pre-K & ECI students. August 26 & 27 only for Kindergarten & Full-day Pre-K students
 - 27 Schools open for students in grades 1 through 12.
- 28–30 Staggered entrance for Kindergarten and Full-day Prekindergarten.
 - 29 First day of school for ECI students.
- 29,30,9/3 Staggered entrance for Half-day Prekindergarten.*

September

- 2 Labor Day All Schools & Central Offices closed.
- 3 First day for all Kindergarten and Full-day Prekindergarten.
- 4 First day for all Half-day Prekindergarten.
- 5 Rosh Hashanah All Schools & Central Offices closed. No extracurricular activities to be held after sundown the preceding evening.
- 18 Professional Development. Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.
- 27 Interims to be sent home by this date.

October

- 30-Sep 11 High School Assessment (HSA) Administration.
 - 14 Professional Development. Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.
 - 16 PSAT administration.
 - 18 Schools closed for students. MSEA Convention. Professional Development Day.

November

- 1 End of first marking period (47 days). Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI.
- 4 Beginning of second marking period.
- 11 Professional Development. Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.
- 12 Report card distribution for all students.
- 15 Winter Sports begin.
- 18-22 American Education Week.
- 25 & 26 Schools closed for students. Parent/Teacher conferences for elementary and middle schools. Professional Development day/Workday for high school teachers.
- 27–29 Thanksgiving Holiday —
 All Schools & Central Offices Closed.

December

- 13 Interims to be sent home by this date.
- 23–Jan 1 Christmas/Winter Break—All schools closed December 23 through January 1 for students, teachers, and school-based Unit IV employees. School Offices & Central Offices closed December 24, 25, 31 and January 1.

January

- 1 All Schools & Central Offices closed.
- 2 Schools open for teachers and students.
- 6-16 High School Assessment Administration.
 - 17 Semester Examinations for Centers of Applied Technology.
 - 20 Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Commemoration All Schools & Central Offices closed.
- 21–24 High School Semester Examinations.

 Two-hour early dismissal for all students, teacher workdays. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI. students.
 - 24 End of second marking period (46 days).
- 27 & 28 Schools closed for students. Professional Development day/Workday for elementary and middle school.

Note: January 27 and 28 may be made school days for all students. See "Calendar Notes" on the reverse side regarding Inclement Weather closings.

29 Beginning of third marking period.

^{*}For more information on the start of Kindergarten, Pre-K, or ECI, contact your local school or visit the Early Childhood website at www.aacps.org/earlychildhood

Key: 27 Schools closed 14 Two-hour early dismissal 26 First/Last day for students | Bold calendar type— See explanations below

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February

- 4 Report card distribution for all students.
- 4 Prekindergarten Application begins.
- 12 Professional Development. Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.
- 17 Presidents Day —
 All Schools & Central Offices closed.

March

- 1 Spring sports begin.
- 7 Interims to be sent home by this date.
- 5–20 Maryland School Assessment (MSA) Administration (Grades 3-8).
- 24-Apr 11 MSA Science Test Administration, Grades 5 and 8 only.

April

- 3 End of third marking period (46 days).
 Two-hour early dismissal for all students.
 Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI.
- 4 Beginning of fourth marking period.
- 8 Registration for Kindergarten begins.
- 11 End of MSA Science Test Administration period, Grades 5 and 8 only. (3/24–4/11).
- 11 Report Card distribution for all students.
- 7–11 High School Assessment (HSA) Senior Administration.
- 14-21 Easter/Spring Break —

All Schools closed April 14–21 for students, teachers, and school-based Unit IV Employees. All Schools and Central Offices closed April 17-21.

May

- 9 Interims to be sent home by this date.
- 19-Jun 5 High School Assessment (HSA) Administration.
- 22 & 23 Schools closed for Prekindergarten, Kindergarten, & ECI. Spring Conferences for parents of those students.
 - 26 Memorial Day All Schools & Central Offices closed.
 - 29 Last day for graduating seniors.

June

- 5 End of High School Assessment (HSA) Administration period (5/19–6/5).
- 11 Semester Examinations for Centers of Applied Technology.
- 12–17 High School Examinations, textbook collection.

 Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for all half-day Prekindergarten and ECI.
 - 17 End of fourth marking period (46 days). Last day for students.
 - 18 Last day for teachers.
 - 24 Primary Election Day —
 All Schools & Central Offices closed.

July

- 4 Independence Day observed All Schools & Central Office closed.
- 8 Summer School begins.

August

4-7 High School Assessment (HSA) Summer Administration.

Inclement Weather and Emergency School Closings

This calendar has four days built in at the end of the school year for emergency closings, making the school year 185 student days and 195 teacher days. If any of the four emergency days are not used, they shall be deducted from the June closing date. Additional emergency closings shall be made up as follows:

- Additional emergency closing days will be made up by adding on days to the June closing date.
- If emergency closings fall on January testing days or the teacher workday, secondary schools will reschedule so that there are four consecutive testing days followed by one teacher workday. This scheduling affects all schools.

Semester Tests and Examinations

Extracurricular activities, practices, and club activities shall be scheduled at the end of the regular school day for not more than 90 minutes on the evening prior to the day of semester tests and examinations for high schools.

Religious Observances

Tests and examinations shall not be scheduled on the day of a major religious observance. Tests and examinations for evening high school will not be scheduled on the day a religious observance begins. Jewish and Muslim dates are set according to the Lunar calendar; they begin at sundown on the preceding evening and conclude at sundown on the dates noted.

- Sept. 5: Rosh Hashanah
- Sept. 14: Yom Kippur
- · Oct. 15: Eid al-Adha

Appropriate Exercises

Schools shall devote a portion of the day to appropriate exercises on the following dates (or on the following Monday if date falls on the weekend):

Oct. 8: Columbus Day

- Nov. 11: Veterans' Day
- Jan. 15: Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday
- Feb. 12: Lincoln's Birthday
- Feb. 22: Washington's Birthday
- April 30: Arbor Day

May 27: Memorial Day

...and any other day of national significance. When schools are closed, appropriate exercises should be held on the preceding Friday.