

Baltimore City Public School System
 2008-2009 School Year Calendar
 Dr. Andres Alonso, Chief Executive Officer
 Dr. Mary Minter, Chief Academic Officer

School-based administrators return	Monday, August 11, 2008
The 2008 Inaugural for BCPSS Leadership	Tuesday, August 12, 2008
Teachers and other ten-month BCPSS employees return	Tuesday, August 19, 2008 (4 days before students return)
Schools open for students	Monday, August 25, 2008
Quarters	End Dates
Quarter 1	Ends on October 31, 2008 (47 days)
Quarter 2	Ends on January 23, 2009 (47 days)
Quarter 3	Ends on March 31, 2009 (44 days)
Quarter 4	Ends on June 9, 2009 (42 days)
Last Day of School	Tuesday, June 9, 2009
In the event of weather-related emergency closings as many as five days will be added to the calendar	Wednesday, June 10 Thursday, June 11 Friday, June 12 Monday, June 15 Tuesday, June 16
Professional Development Days 10 whole days (contractual)	August 19 ,20 ,21,22, 2008 October 16, 17, 2008 November 14, 2008 January 29, 30, 2009 April 14, 2009
Early Release Days Four (4) early-release days for ALL students PK-12 for Parent/Teacher Conference. Progress reports issued on these dates. <i>Instructional day is 3 hours and 30 minutes</i>	Friday, October 3, 2008 Friday, December 12, 2008 Friday, March 6, 2009 Friday, May 15, 2009
High School Exams An additional six (6) scheduled early-release days for High School students (ONLY) requested by high school principals and staff. Scheduled during HS mid-term examinations and final examination days. <i>Instructional day is 3 hours and 30 minutes</i>	Tuesday, January 20, 2009 Wednesday, January 21, 2009 Thursday, January 22, 2009 Monday, June 1, 2009 Tuesday, June 2, 2009 Wednesday, June 3, 2009
Major Holidays	
Independence Day	July 4 th
Labor day	September 1 st
General Election Day	November 4 th
Thanksgiving	November 27 th and 28 th
Winter Holiday	December 24 th through January 2 nd
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Observed	Monday, January 19 th
President's Day	February 16 th
Spring Break	April 6 th through April 13 th
Memorial Day	May 25 th
Major Student Assessments	
Stanford Achievement Test	March 9 – 13, 2009
MSA	March 16 – 25, 2009
HSA	August, 4 -8, 2008 October 6-10, 2008 January 12-15, 2009 April 20-23, 2009 May 18-21, 2009