### August

1. **12** Fall Sports begin
2. **21** | **22** | **23** New Teacher Onboarding Kickoff.
3. **24** | **25** Reading Program training for new teachers.
4. **28**–**31** Opening activities for teachers (To include the equivalent of two teacher workdays). Professional Development Days: Aug. 29—elementary teachers Aug. 30—secondary teachers

### September

1. **1** Schools closed for teachers.
2. **4** Labor Day — Schools & Central Offices closed.
3. **5** Schools open for grades 1–5 and grades 6 and 9 only.
4. **5** | **6** Conferences for Kindergarten and Full-day and Half-Day Pre-K students.
5. **6** | **7** Schools open for students in grades 1 through 12.
6. **7** | **8** Conferences for Half-day Pre-K & ECI students.
7. **7** | **8** | **11** Staggered entrance for Kindergarten and Full-day Prekindergarten.*
8. **8** | **11** | **12** Staggered entrance for Half-day Prekindergarten.*
9. **12** First day for all Kindergarten and Full-day Prekindergarten.
10. **13** First day for all Half-day Prekindergarten.

### October

1. **9** Interims to be sent home by this date.
2. **10** Interims to be sent home by this date.
3. **12** Professional Development. Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.
4. **17** Professional Development. Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.
5. **18** Professional Development. Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.
6. **19** Schools closed for students. Parent/Teacher conferences for elementary, middle, and high schools.
7. **20** Schools closed for students. MSEA Convention. Professional Development Day
8. **23** | **24** Thanksgiving Holiday — Schools & Central Offices Closed.

### November

1. **9** | **10** End of first marking period (47 days). Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI.
2. **13** Beginning of second marking period.
3. **13**–**17** American Education Week.
4. **15** Winter Sports begin.
5. **18**—**20** Professional Development.
7. **22** | **23** | **24** Thanksgiving Holiday — Schools & Central Offices Closed.

### December

1. **7** Professional Development. Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.
2. **8** Schools closed for students. Parent/Teacher conferences for elementary, middle, and high schools.
3. **15** Interims to be sent home by this date.

### January

1. **1** All Schools & Central Offices closed.
2. **2** Schools open for teachers and students.
3. **15** Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Commemoration — All Schools & Central Offices closed.
4. **29** | **30** End of second marking period. (46 days) Two-hour early dismissal for all students, teacher workdays. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.
5. **31** Schools closed for students. Workday for all teachers. Note: January 31 may be made a school day for all students. See “Calendar Notes” on the reverse side regarding Incliment Weather closings.

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* 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

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**Note:** See in Jan. dates
# 2012-2013 School Calendar

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

### February

1. Beginning of third marking period.
2. Prekindergarten Application begins.
3. Professional Development. Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.
4. Report card distribution for all students.
5. Presidents Day — Schools & Central Offices closed.

### March

1. Spring sports begin.
2. Schools closed for students. Parent/Teacher conferences for elementary, middle, and high schools.
3. Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (MISA), grades 5 and 8 only.
4. Interims to be sent home by this date.
5. 1-23 Easter/Spring Break — Schools closed March 29 – April 2 for students, teachers, and school-based Unit IV Employees. School Offices and Central Offices closed March 29 – April 2.

### April

2. Registration for Kindergarten begins.
3. End of third marking period (46 days).
4. Two-hour early dismissal for all students.
5. Beginning of fourth marking period.
6. Professional Development. Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.
8. PARCC testing window begins (30 days).

### May

1. Interims to be sent home by this date.
2. High School Assessment (HSA) Administration window begins.†
3. Spring Conferences for Prekindergarten, Kindergarten, & ECI. Schools closed for those students.
4. Last day for graduating seniors.
5. Memorial Day — Schools & Central Offices closed.

### June

1. End of fourth marking period (45 days).
2. Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI.
3. Last day for students.
4. Last day for teachers.
5. Primary Elections — All Schools & Central Office closed.

### July

1. Independence Day — Schools & Central Office closed.
2. Summer School begins.
3. High School Assessment (HSA) Summer Administration. †

### Inclement Weather and Emergency School Closings

This calendar has three days built in at the end of the school year for emergency closings, making the school year 184 student days and 194 teacher days. If any of these emergency days are not used, they shall be deducted from the June closing date.

If more than three additional makeup days are needed:
- Monday, April 2 may be used as a potential makeup day.
- If emergency closings affect the end of any marking period, the calendar will be adjusted and the marking period extended so that both early dismissal days occur at the end of the marking period. This applies to all schools.

There must be one non-student day between the second and third marking periods.

### 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.

- September 1: Eid al-Adha
- September 21-22: Rosh Hashanah
- September 30: Yom Kippur

† Testing dates are subject to change dependent on the Maryland State Department of Education’s testing calendar.