

2021–22 School Year Calendar

Approved by the Board of Education 1/20/2021 (Revised 11/17/21)

(Current as of 11/19/21)

August

18–24 | **New Teacher Onboarding Activities**

25–31 | **Opening activities for all teachers.**

September

1,2 | **Opening activities for all teachers. (Closed for teachers 9/3)**

6 | Schools & Central Offices closed. Labor Day.

7 | Schools & Central Offices closed. Rosh Hashanah.
(See *School Sponsored Activities*, page two.)

8 | **Schools open for grades 1–5 and grades 6 and 9 only.**

9 | **Schools open for grades 1–12.**

8–17 | **Staggered Openings for ECI, PreK, and Kindergarten (see chart below).**

16 | Schools & Central Offices closed. Yom Kippur. (See *School Sponsored Activities*, page two.)

October

20 | **Two-hour early dismissal. No afternoon ECI or PreK. Project Unity Day. Professional Development.**

21 | **Two-hour early dismissal. No afternoon ECI or PreK. Parent/Teacher Conferences.**

November

4 | **Diwali. (See *Religious Observances*, page two.)**

11, 12 | **Two-hour early dismissal. No afternoon ECI or PreK. End of first marking period.**

22 | **Two-hour late arrival.**

No morning ECI or PreK.
Parent/Teacher Conferences.

23 | Two-hour early dismissal.
No afternoon ECI or PreK.
Parent/Teacher Conferences.

24–26 | Schools & Central Offices closed. Thanksgiving Holiday.

December

8 | Two-hour early dismissal.
No afternoon ECI or PreK.
Project Unity Day. Professional Development.

23 | Two-hour early dismissal.
No afternoon ECI or PreK.
Staff and student personal wellness.

24–31 | Schools closed for students. Christmas/Winter Break. Schools closed for students, teachers, and school-based Unit IV employees. School Offices & Central Offices closed December 24, 27, 30, & 31.

January

17 | Schools & Central Offices closed. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Commemoration.

26 | Mo Gaba Day

27, 28 | Two-hour early dismissal. No afternoon ECI or PreK. End of second marking period. Teacher workdays.

31 | Schools closed for all students. Semester break.

February

9 | Two-hour early dismissal.
No afternoon ECI or PreK.
Project Unity Day. Professional Development.

21 | Schools & Central Offices closed. Presidents Day.

March

7 | Two-hour late arrival.
No morning ECI or PreK.
Parent/Teacher Conferences.

8 | Two-hour early dismissal.

No afternoon ECI or PreK.
Parent/Teacher Conferences.

30 | Two-hour early dismissal.
No afternoon ECI or PreK.
Project Unity Day. Professional Development.

April

7,8 | Two-hour early dismissal.
No afternoon ECI or PreK. End of third marking period.

11–15,18 | Schools closed for students. Easter/Spring Break. Schools closed for students, teachers, and school-based Unit IV employees. School Offices & Central Offices closed April 14, 15, & 18.

May

3 | Schools closed for students. Professional Development. Eid al-Fitr. (See *School Sponsored Activities*.)

26,27 | Schools closed for
ECI, Prekindergarten, and Kindergarten. (Conferences)

26 | Last day for graduating seniors.

30 | Schools & Central Offices closed. Memorial Day.

June

20 | Schools & Central Offices closed. Juneteenth

21,22 | Two-hour early dismissal. No half-day PreK or ECI. End of fourth marking period.

22 | Last day for students.

23 | Last day for teachers.

28 | Schools & Central Offices closed. Primary Election Day.

July

4 | Schools & Central Offices closed. Independence Day.

10 | Eid al-Adha. (See *Religious Observances*.)

TBD | Summer School begins.

Staggered Openings for ECI, Prekindergarten and Kindergarten

The year begins with parent/teacher conferences. Kindergarten and PreK classes are divided into three groups. Each groups begins on a different day. On the fourth day, all students attend together.

		September						
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		C	C	C	A			
	ECI	C	C	C	A			
	Half Day PreK	C	C	C	S	S	S	A
	PreK/Kindergarten	C	C	S	S	S	A	
For more information contact your local school.								

Report Cards/Progress Reports

- November 23 (Grades 1–12)
- February 8 (Grades PreK–12)
- April 27 (Grades 1–12)
- End of Year TBA (Grades PreK–12)

Sports Begin

- Fall—August 11
- Winter—November 15
- Spring—March 1

PreK/Kindergarten Applications

- February 8—Prek Application begins.
- April 5 —Kindergarten Registration begins.

American Education Week

November 15–19

School Closings Required by Law

- Labor Day (Sept. 6)
- Thanksgiving (Nov. 25)
- Christmas/New Year (Dec. 24–31)
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday (Jan. 17)
- Presidents Day (Feb. 21)
- Good Friday (April 15)
- Easter Monday (April 18)
- Memorial Day (May 30)

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):

- Sept. 17: Constitution Day

Oct. 11: Columbus Day
Nov. 11: Veterans' Day
Jan. 15: Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday
Feb. 12: Lincoln's Birthday
Feb. 15: Washington's Birthday
April 29: Arbor Day
May 30: Memorial Day
...and any other day of national significance.

Incident Weather and Emergency School Closings

Make-up Days

Three make-up days are included at the end of the school year.

Any additional days needed will be added to the June closing date.

Unused make-up days shall be deducted from the June closing date.

End of Marking Periods

If emergency closings affect the end of any marking period, the marking period will be 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

AACPS will operate on a normal schedule on the following days of major religious observance:

November 4, 2021: Diwali
(No Moon Day)

July 10, 2022: Eid al-Adha

Jewish and Muslim religious observance dates begin at sundown on the evening prior to the dates noted and conclude at sundown the next evening.

Tests & Examinations

AACPS tests and examinations (including mandated tests and assessments) shall not be scheduled on any of the religious observances noted in this calendar. Tests and examinations for a grade will not be administered on the school day following any of the religious observances noted in this calendar, unless the observance concludes on a Friday or Saturday night. Similarly, AACPS tests and examinations (including mandated tests and assessments) for Evening High School students shall also not be scheduled on the evening before or the day of evening of a religious observance.

School Sponsored Activities

For Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Eid-al-Fitr, and Eid al-Adha, no athletics or other school-sponsored extracurricular activities will take place after sundown on the day before the observance or before sundown on the first day of a multi-day religious observance.

Student Absences

Students absent from school due to a religious observance noted on this calendar will be allowed the option to make up work missed due to that absence. Such absence shall not affect a student's eligibility for perfect attendance recognition.