



Anne Arundel County Public Schools 2019 – 2020 School Calendar

Approved by the Board of Education 11/14/18

Key: **24** Schools closed **12** Two-hour early dismissal **27** First/Last day for students | **Bold calendar type**— See explanations below

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See note in Jan. dates

August

- 14 Fall Sports begin.
- 14–16 New Teacher Onboarding Kickoff.
- 19 | 20 Reading Program training for new teachers.
- 22–29 Opening activities for teachers (to include the equivalent of two teacher workdays).
- 30 **Schools closed for teachers.**

September

- 2 **Labor Day — All Schools & Central Offices closed.**
- 3 **Schools open for grades 1–5 and grades 6 and 9 only.**
- 3 | 4 Conferences for **Kindergarten and Full-day Pre-K** students.
- 3 | 4 | 5 Conferences for **Half-day Pre-K & ECI** students.
- 4 **Schools open for students in grades 1 through 12.**
- 5 | 6 | 9 Staggered entrance for **Kindergarten and Full-day Prekindergarten** students.*
- 6 First day of school for **ECI students**.*
- 6 | 9 | 10 Staggered entrance for **Half-day Prekindergarten** students.*
- 10 First day for all **Kindergarten and Full-day Prekindergarten** students.
- 11 First day for all **Half-day Prekindergarten** students.
- 17 **Evening High School** begins
- 30 Rosh Hashanah — All Schools & Central Offices open. See notes under *Religious Observances*.

October

- 7 Interims to be sent home by this date.
- 8 Professional Development. **Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.**
- 9 Yom Kippur — All Schools & Central Offices **closed**. See notes under *Religious Observances*.
- 15 **Schools closed for students.** Parent/Teacher conferences for elementary, middle, and high schools.
- 16 **Schools closed for elementary and middle school students** for Parent/Teacher conferences. Schools open for all high school students.

November

- 7 | 8 End of first marking period (47 days). **Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI.**
- 11 Beginning of second marking period.
- 11–15 American Education Week.
- 15 Winter Sports begin.
- 19 Report Card distribution for all students.
- 27–29 **Thanksgiving Holiday — All Schools & Central Offices Closed.**

December

- 5 Professional Development. **Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.**
- 13 Interims to be sent home by this date.
- 23–1/1 **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.
- 20 **Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Commemoration — All Schools & Central Offices closed.**
- 28 | 29 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.**
- 30 **Schools closed for students.** Professional Development day/Workday for elementary and middle school; workday for high school
- 31 Beginning of third marking period.

Note: January 30 may be made a school day for all students. See "Calendar Notes" on the reverse side regarding inclement weather closings.

School Closings as Required by Law

As required by state or federal law, AACPS will be closed:

- **Labor Day** (September 2, 2019)
- **Thanksgiving** (November 28, 2019)
- **Christmas/New Year** (December 24, 2019, through January 1, 2020)
- **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day** (January 20, 2020)
- **Presidents Day** (February 17, 2020)
- **Good Friday** (April 10, 2020)
- **Easter Monday** (April 13, 2020)
- **Memorial Day** (May 25, 2020)

*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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February

- 5 Prekindergarten Application period begins.
- 7 Progress Report/Report card distribution for all students.
- 11 **Evening High School Begins** (second semester)
- 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.**
- 29 Spring sports begin.

March

- 9 Interims to be sent home by this date.
- 10 **Schools closed for students.** Parent/Teacher conferences for elementary, middle, and high schools.
- TBA** Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (MISA) window opens. Grades 5 & 8.
- 24 Professional Development. **Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.**

April

- 1 Registration for Kindergarten begins.
- 7 | 8 End of third marking period (47 days). **Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI.**
- 9–13 **Easter/Spring Break — All Schools & Central Offices closed.**
- 14 Beginning of fourth marking period.
- 22 Report Card distribution for all students.
- 28 **Primary Elections — All Schools & Central Offices closed.**
- TBA** Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP) window opens.

May

- 8 Interims to be sent home by this date.
- TBA** High School Assessment (HSA) window opens. (Government and Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (MISA))
- 18 | 19 Spring Conferences for Prekindergarten, Kindergarten, and ECI. Schools closed for those students.
- 21 Last day for graduating seniors.
- 24 Eid-al-Fitr— Schools & Central Offices open. See notes under *Religious Observances*.
- 25 **Memorial Day — All Schools & Central Offices closed.**

June

- 11 Last day for half-day Prekindergarten and ECI students.
- 12 | 15 End of fourth marking period (43 days). **Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI.**
- 15 Last day for students.
- 16 Last day for teachers.

July

- 3 **Independence Day observed— All Schools & Central Offices closed.**
- 7 Summer School begins.
- TBA** High School Assessment (HSA) Summer Administration.
- 31 Eid-al-Adha— Schools & Central Offices open. See notes under *Religious Observances*.

Inclement Weather and Emergency School Closings

This calendar has two days built in at the end of the school year for emergency closings, making the school year 182 student days and 193 teacher days. If any of the two emergency days are not used, they shall be deducted from the June closing date.

If more than two additional makeup days are needed:

- Tuesday, March 10 will be used as a potential makeup day.
- Maryland Law allows school systems to be open up to five days past the June 15 mandated closing in the event of excessive inclement weather. For 2019–20, classes may be held June 16–22 if needed.
- 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 for Students

Anne Arundel County Public Schools will operate on a normal schedule on the following days of major religious observance:

- Rosh Hashanah (Monday, September 30 – Tuesday, October 1, 2019)
- Eid al-Fitr (Sunday, May 24, 2020)
- Eid al-Adha (Friday, July 31, 2020)

Tests and examinations **that impact a student's grade** shall not be scheduled on any of the above dates. Tests and examinations for Evening High School students **that impact a student's grade** shall also not be scheduled on the day a major religious observance begins.

Jewish and Muslim religious observance dates are set according to the Lunar calendar, beginning at sundown on the evening prior to the date noted above and concluding at sundown the next evening.

Athletics and other school-sponsored extracurricular activities will not take place after sundown on the day before a religious observance starts or before sundown on the first day of a multi-day religious observance.

Students who are absent from school due to a religious observance, as noted on this calendar, will be allowed to make up all work missed due to that absence, and such absence shall not affect a student's eligibility for perfect attendance recognition.