SEPTEMBER

District E-News **September 21, 2026**

Newark CCSD 66 www.ngsd66.org 815-695-5143 NGS; 630-553-5435 MJH

Dear Families and Staff,

THANK YOU! Thank you to Mrs. D'Arcy, Mrs. Underhill, Mrs. Greer, Mrs. Finn and all the PTO moms who organized, worked, helped with Grandparents' Day and the Scholastic Book Fair. It's a lot of work and we had some great helpers!

GPD Pictures from NGS will be going home on Monday with students. Families can still order online from the book fair through this week. See this link and scroll down for the offers: https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/newarkelementaryschool
25% of orders come back to the school and orders over $35.00 ship free.
Thank you to everyone who bought books! Our teachers were able to receive $2400 back to their classroom book collections and the library! We appreciate everyone's support of reading!

Quarter 1 Midterms/Progress Reports are live in Teacherease! Log into your account to check your child's progress this first four weeks of school. MAP scores and IAR scores (3rd - 8th) will be coming home for Parent - Teacher conferences next month.

Congratulations to our Soccer Team on their win from Friday! Unfortunately, the rain cancelled the soccer tourney on Saturday. Thank you to our Sports Boosters for sponsoring! Finish Strong Vikings! You can do it!

Highlights this week: (Check out all of MJH updates below!)
Monday 9/21: Vision/Hearing at NGS; Board of Education meeting 6:30 pm - Buildings and grounds at 5:45 pm; Budget Public Hearing at 6:30 pm
Tuesday 9/22: Soccer at Earlville 4:30 pm; Annual Active Shooter drills at both schools with Kendall County
Wednesday 9/23: Cross Country at Seneca 4:30
Thursday 9/24: Time to Dine at Flame Ka Bob; Soccer at Sandwich 4:30 pm
Friday 9/25: Practices - see below

Dates to Remember:

September 21 - Buildings and Grounds 5:45pm; Budget Hearing and Board Meeting 6:30 pm at MJH; Vision / Hearing screenings at NGS
September 24 - Time to Dine at Flame Kabob (flyer below)
October 9 - Teacher Institute - no students
October 12 - No School Columbus/Indigenous People's Day
October 13 - Handwashing talk with the nurse (NGS)
October 14 - PTO meeting 6 pm - MJH
October 16 - School Store at NGS; End of Quarter 1
October 19 - Report Cards go home; Board of Education meeting 6:30 pm - NGS
October 20 - Mobile Food Pantry NGS 4:00 - 5:30 pm
October 21 - Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:00 - 7:00 pm
October 22 - Early Dismissal 1:15/ 1:30; Parent - Teacher Conferences 1:30 - 7:00 pm
October 23 - No School
October 30 - Halloween parties PK - 5
October 31 - Happy Halloween!
November 1 - Clocks Fall Back!

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Follow us on Facebook and Twitter and Instagram!
Website: www.ngsd66.org
Youtube channel: Newark School District

NGS Viking Victory winners this past week: Kye Rizzo, Reagan Ammenhauser, Georgia Springer, Libby Mize, and Madison Lackey!
MJH Viking Spotlight winners: Mrs. Cass and Raelynn Fairfield (nominated by Yareli Martinez)

Per school code, both schools will be participating in our annual active shooting drill with the help of Kendall County Sheriff's officers. We follow our Crisis plan policy and keep it basic and simple. Teachers and staff review the plan every school year. Per school code, every school must conduct this drill within the first 90 days of school. We also complete a bus drill, 3 fire drills and a tornado drill every year.

School Board elections are April 6, 2027. There are three seats open for the board. Petitions are now available. We have an amazing board of education who are true servant leaders to our community, students and staff. If you are interested in being part of an amazing team and serving students, we encourage you to download the petition packet here: School Board Petition Packet School Board candidates must be 18 years of age and live in the district.

We are hiring:
5th/6th Girls' Volleyball coach for the 2026 - 2027 school year. Please send a letter of interest to Ms. Chase, Mr. Anderson.
Night custodian for MJH game clean up - part time $17.00 / hour. Contact Ms. Chase or Mrs. Turman Application
Bus aide for morning route to Plano - 6:35 - 7:30 am - $18.50.

Both schools have snack breaks in the morning. Let us know what you need! Have a terrific week ahead!
💙Partners in Education ~ Mrs. Turman & Ms. Chase

Millbrook Jr. High

Week of September 21-25

Monday, September 21

Morning Report: Brynnlee

BOE meeting 6:30 pm @ MJH

Student Sports & Activities:

Soccer Practice, 3:00-4:30 PM
7/8th GBB Practice, 3:00-4:30 PM
5/6th GBB Practice, 3:00-4:30 **@ *NGS***
Speech Practice 3-4 pm

Tuesday, September 22

Morning Report: Clara

Active Shooter Drill with Kendall County Police

Sports & Activities:

Soccer @ Earlville, 4:30 PM Bus:3:40 PM
XC Practice, 3:00-4:15 PM
7/8th GBB Practice, 3:00-4:30 PM
5/6th GBB Practice, 3:00-4:30 **@ *NGS***

Wednesday, September 23

Morning Report: Delaney

KINDNESS DAY - Wear Kindness Shirts

Student Sports & Activities:

XC Meet @ Seneca, 4:15 PM Bus:3:15 PM
Soccer Practice, 3:00-4:30 PM
7/8th GBB Practice 3:00-4:30 PM
5/6th GBB Practice 3:00-4:30 **@ *NGS***
Speech Practice 3-4 pm

Thursday, September 24

Morning Report: Mary

SEL B day

Student Council meeting (during 2nd lunch) Library with Mrs. Dunlap

Student Sports & Activities:

Soccer @ Sandwich, 4:30 PM Bus: 4:05 PM
XC Practice, 3:00-4:15 PM
7/8th GBB Practice 3:00-4:30 PM
5/6th GBB Practice 3:00-4:30 **@ *NGS***

Friday, September 25

Morning Report: Nathan

Viking Gear

Eligibility for athletics 9:30 am

Student Sports & Activities:

XC Practice, 3:00-4:15 PM
Soccer Practice, 3:00-4:30 PM
7/8th GBB Practice, 3:00-4:30 PM
5/6th GBB Practice, 3:00-4:30 **@ *NGS***
Speech Practice 3-4 pm

RESPECT
Family Newsletter

PurposeFULL People

Respect Overview

This month's focus is Respect. One way to think about Respect is "seeing value in all people and things & treating them with care." Many people feel Respected in different ways. We hope this month inspires discussions with your family about what Respect means to you and how you can practice it together!

Respect is 1 of 3 traits we will focus on throughout the year that helps students **Be Kind**. Across grade levels, students will be developing skills like perspective-taking, conflict resolution, and leadership.

Conversation Starters

- Can you share or show what Respect means?
- What is 1 way you have practiced Respect lately?

PurposeFull Pursuits

Have some fun connecting as a family this month while practicing Respect. Here are 2 "PurposeFull Pursuits" you can complete together!

#1

A fun way to remind students to show Respect to others is to create a non-verbal cue. As a family, come up with a non-verbal way to cue your student to remember to show Respect to others. An example of this would be anytime you raise the "Respect Rooster" on your hand by closing the middle 2 fingers and bringing your pointer finger and pinky finger up, your student would be reminded to practice living out Respect.

#2

Review Respect as a family! In our lessons we are teaching that Respect means to see value in people and things and treat them with care.
Agree as a family to set aside a certain time each day this week to unplug from devices and plug into family time. It shows Respect to practice being present in the moment without the distractions that can come from technology. Debrief and discuss this challenge afterward. Consider to embracing this practice at least 1 day each week!

RIDE SAFE, BE KIND, HAVE A GREAT BUS RIDE!



1. Be aware of moving traffic and pay attention to your surroundings.



2. Dress for the weather. Make sure strings, ties, straps, etc. are short or removed.



3. Arrive on time at the bus stop and stay away from the street while waiting.



4. Stay away from the bus until it stops completely and the driver signals you to board. Enter in single file without pushing. Always use the handrail.



5. Take a seat right away and remain seated facing forward. Keep your hands, arms, and head inside the bus.



6. Talk quietly on the bus. No shouting or loud noises that may distract the driver. Devices must be silenced. Headphones are okay.



7. Help keep the bus neat and clean. Keep belongings out of the aisle and away from emergency exits. Eating and drinking are not allowed on the bus.



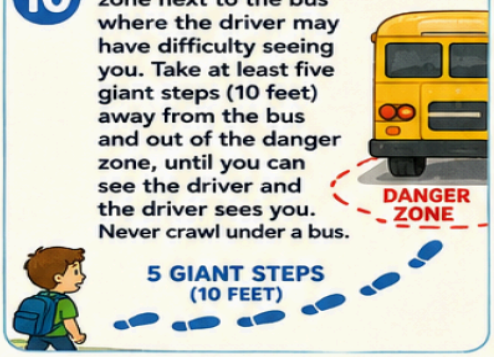
8. Always listen to the driver's instruction. Be courteous to the driver and other students. Sit with your hands to yourself and avoid distracting noises.



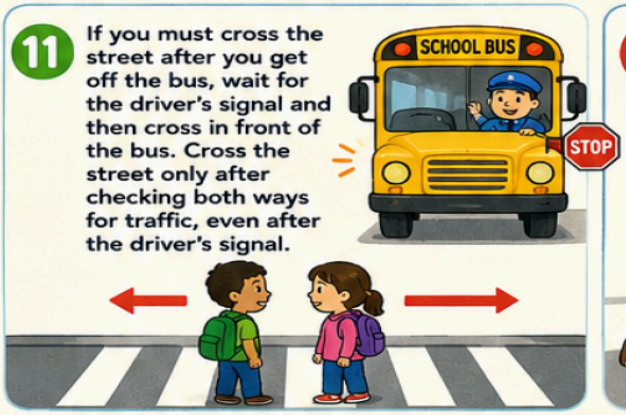
9. Wait until the bus pulls to a complete stop before standing up. Use the handrail when exiting the bus.



10. Stay out of the danger zone next to the bus where the driver may have difficulty seeing you. Take at least five giant steps (10 feet) away from the bus and out of the danger zone, until you can see the driver and the driver sees you. Never crawl under a bus.



11. If you must cross the street after you get off the bus, wait for the driver's signal and then cross in front of the bus. Cross the street only after checking both ways for traffic, even after the driver's signal.



12. Never run back to the bus, even if you dropped or forgot something.



BE SAFE. BE KIND. EVERY RIDE. EVERY TIME!

School Nurse NEWSLETTER



September 2026



From the Nurse A's Desk

Welcome back, Newark School District #66 families! This month, we're focusing on keeping our students healthy, safe, and ready to learn. Please take a moment to review this month's health tips and important reminders.

Medication Policy Reminder:
Please bring any medications to the nurse's office with the proper forms. Students may not carry medication without prior approval.

Screenings: Vision and Hearing Screening will be happening throughout the month of September, starting at MJH the week of September 14th, and NGS the week of September 21st.

Health Form Deadline:
-Physical exams/Immunizations- Due October 15, 2026.
-Vision exam- Due October 15, 2026
-Dental Exam- Due May 2027

Monthly Health Spotlight:

Healthy Tips

Healthy Habits for Students:

- Get good sleep: Aim for 9–11 hours for kids and 8–10 for teens.
- Eat breakfast: A balanced morning meal boosts focus and memory.
- Wash hands often: Stop germs before they spread.
- Stay active: Play, sports, or outdoor time—aim for 60 minutes a day.
- Stay hydrated: Choose water over sugary drinks.



CONTACT IF ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS

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Newark Grade School 815-695-5143
Millbrook Junior High School- 630-553-5435

UPCOMING HEALTH EVENTS

Vision and Hearing Screening
MJH- The week of September 14, 2026
NGS- The week of September 21, 2026
Preschool- The week of September 28, 2026
Rescreening-The week of October 5th

K- 4th Grade Handwashing Education
Tuesday October 13th 2026

5th Grade Puberty Education- MJH
(Parent letter will be sent prior)
November 9, 2026- 5th Grade Boys
November 12, 2026- 5th Grade Girls



WHAT IS THE VISION AND HEARING SCREENING?

These screenings are mandated by the state for all students receiving special education services, students new to the district, or teacher or parent referrals. Hearing screening is mandated by the state of Illinois for all students in grades PreK-3 and is recommended for students in even grades. Vision screening is mandated for students in Pre K, kindergarten who do not have proof in their school health file of a vision exam performed by a vision specialist within the last year, and for all students in grades 2 and 8. Vision screening is recommended for all students in even grades. At NCSD66 we provide free vision and hearing screening for students in required and mandated grades. Testing will begin after Labor Day of the school year and continue until all mandatory screenings have been completed. Parents will be notified if there are any abnormal findings. These are only screenings and should never replace a thorough exam by your doctor. If your child already wears (or should be wearing) glasses or hearing aids, please let Mrs. Ammenhauser know.



Did You Know?

Kids who eat breakfast before school are more likely to score higher on tests and pay better attention in class!



Need groceries? The Northern Illinois Food Bank Mobile distribution can help. Food is free to all neighbors; no ID, proof of address or income is required. Just need to provide zip code and how many in your household. Food is distributed on a first come, first served basis, while supplies last.

Where:

Newark Grade School
503 Chicago Road Newark, IL 60541

When:

4:00pm-5:30pm – 3rd Tuesday of the month

August 25, 2026	September 15, 2026	October 20, 2026
November 17, 2026	December 15, 2026	

Come Join Us!

Kendall County Community FOOD PANTRY

www.equinedreams.org

Our SNAP team is available and ready to help!
Call or text "Food" or "Comida" to 844-600-7627
SOLVEHUNGERTODAY.ORG

NORTHERN ILLINOIS FOOD BANK. NEIGHBORS. EMPOWERED.

September PTO News

- 9/3 Molina's Pizza Time to Dine All Day
- 9/9 Monthly PTO Meeting 6pm at MJH
- 9/14 Grandparent's/Special Person's Day at Both Schools (12:30-1:15pm MJH; 1:30-2:45pm NGS)
- 9/14-9/16 Scholastic Book Fair at NGS
- 9/24 Flame Kabob Grill in Yorkville Time to Dine All Day

Scholastic Book Fair at NGS

- 9/14 Books can be purchased during Grandparent's/Special Person's Day at NGS
- 9/15 Students can purchase books during PE
- 9/16 Students can purchase books during PE & Books can be purchased during Curriculum Night at NGS





To ensure that our events run smoothly, PTO is in need of several volunteers for the week of the Book Fair and Grandparent's/Special Person's Day activities. Sign-up Genius for these events were sent via email if you are on our email list. You can also find the link on the Newark/Millbrook PTO Facebook page as well as the District Facebook page.

THANK YOU!
PTO

FLAME Kabob Grill

Don't want to cook, we got you covered!

the current funds being raised will be going to:
NGS-playground repairs
MJH-Playground repairs

1411 Cannonball Trail, Yorkville, IL 60560

(630) 553-9620

Time To Dine- Let's go out to eat fundraiser

Newark Grade School and Millbrook Junior High would like to give a BIG **THANK YOU** to **Flame Kabob Grill** in yorkville and **YOU**!

They will be hosting a fundraiser for us and a percentage of all the sales for the date below will be donated as a benefit back to our school. **bring this flyer in or show it on your phone.**

SEPTEMBER 24th
ALL DAY

NEWARK / MILLBROOK
Parent Teacher Organization



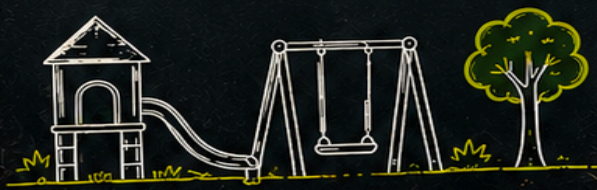
MOLINA'S PIZZA & GRILL

TIME TO DINE – LET'S GO OUT TO EAT!

Don't want to cook, WE GOT YOU COVERED!

THE CURRENT FUNDS BEING RAISED WILL BE GOING TO:

- NGS-PLAYGROUND REPAIRS
- MJH-PLAYGROUND REPAIRS



★ FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH ★

Molina's Pizza & Grill will host our Time to Dine Fundraiser.

Dine in, carry out, or delivery — every meal helps support our schools!

Mark Your Calendar!

- SEPT 3RD
- OCT. 1ST
- NOV. 5TH
- DEC. 3RD
- JAN. 7TH
- FEB. 4TH
- MARCH 4TH
- APRIL 1ST
- MAY 6TH

Your Meal Makes a Difference!

THANK YOU

Newark Grade School and Millbrook Junior High would like to give a **BIG THANK YOU** to MOLINA'S and YOU!

They will be hosting a fundraiser for us and a percentage of all the sales for the date below will be donated as a benefit back to our school.

1 W. MAIN STREET
NEWARK, IL 60541

815-658-4003

11AM–8PM

Good Food ★ Great Cause ★ Stronger Schools

★ 11AM–8PM ALL DAY FUNDRAISER!

NEWARK / MILLBROOK
Parent Teacher Organization

Show Your VIKING PRIDE!

MILLBROOK JR. HIGH & NEWARK GRADE SCHOOL

Spiritwear

Gear up and show your Viking pride!
Every purchase helps support our students, staff, and school community.



YOUR PURCHASE MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

All proceeds from clothing sales will benefit both the Jr. High and Grade School.

MORE DESIGNS COMING SOON!

We'll be adding new styles and designs throughout the year—be sure to check back often!

SHIPPED TO YOU!

Items will be shipped directly to your door for your convenience.

WEAR IT. SHARE IT. LIVE IT.

Let's show our school spirit everywhere we go!

SHOP NOW!

Millbrook Jr. High Shop
wamiswag.com/shops/milbrookjrhs

Newark Grade School Shop
wamiswag.com/shops/newarkvikings

TOGETHER, WE ARE VIKINGS!

Thank you for supporting our schools!

Parents, JOIN THE NEWARK/MILLBROOK PTO

2026/2027 SCHOOL YEAR

VOLUNTEER
by coming to the monthly meetings both in person or via Zoom.

THE PTO MEETINGS
are organized for the purpose of supporting all of our students, Pre-K through 8th grade.

WE WANT TO
build relationships among the school, parents, teachers and community while helping provide financial support for programs, supplies and needs funded outside of the annual school budget.

MEETING DATES

2026

- September 9th
- October 14th
- November 11th
- December 9th

2027

- January 13th
- February 9th
- March 10th
- April 14th
- May 12th



ALL MEETINGS WILL BE AT
6:00 PM
AT MILLBROOK JR. HIGH




GIRLS BASKETBALL
2026
Vikings
NEWARK VIKINGS
GIRLS BASKETBALL
VIKINGS
Basketball
Game day
Vikings
BASKETBALL
SHOP AT CMCSTITCH.COM
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Charles B. Phillips Library September Calendar Events

MON	TUE	WED	THR	FRI	SAT
	1	2 9:15 AM Chair Yoga	3 4:00 PM Adult Game Night	4 9:15 AM Chair Yoga 1:00 PM Walk & Chat Book Club Harris Forest Preserve	5 10:30 AM Kid's Movie *Hoppers*
7 CLOSED	8	9 9:15 AM Chair Yoga	10	11 9:15 AM Chair Yoga 1:00 PM Hand & Foot Canasta	12 10:00 AM Adult Book Chat *True Biz* By Sara Novic
14 9:15 AM Chair Yoga 10:30 AM Storytime *Cows*	15	16 9:15 AM Chair Yoga	17	18 9:15 AM Chair Yoga 1:00 PM Hand & Foot Canasta	19
21 9:15 AM Chair Yoga 1:00 PM Adult Matinee *Pressure*	22	23 9:15 AM Chair Yoga	24	25 9:15 AM Chair Yoga 1:00 PM Hand & Foot Canasta	26
28 9:15 AM Chair Yoga 10:30 AM Storytime *Storm*	29	30 9:15 AM Chair Yoga	6 N. Jackson St. Newark, IL 60541 815.695.5851 www.cbplib.us	Adult Events Youth Events	

CHILDCARE RESOURCE & REFERRAL

WILL • GRUNDY • KENDALL • KANKAKEE
COOK • IROQUOIS • DUPAGE

COMMUNITY FALL FEST

ALL children, families, non-profits of early childhood, child care providers, educators, community business and partners, are welcome!



LOCATION:
801 N Larkin Ave
Joliet, IL 60435
Parking Lot

TIME:
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

WHEN:
Saturday,
September 26, 2026



FREE ADMISSION / FREE EVENT



SCAN TO REGISTER

To donate or participate call
779.260.0282
or email marketingteam@childcarehelp.com

Event will be postponed to the following week 10/3 if weather does not permit

OFFICE OF HEAD START

Illinois Department of Early Childhood

Illinois State Board of Education

GET YOUR FLU SHOT

The Kendall County Health Department and Walgreens are partnering with the Kendall County Community Food Pantry to host an adult vaccine clinic.



EVENT DETAILS

- **Date**: October 29, 2026
- **Time**: 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM
- **Location**: Kendall County Community Food Pantry, 208 Beaver Street, Yorkville, Illinois 60560
- **Eligibility**: Adults aged 19 and older

**Available to individuals both with and without health insurance.*
***$20 administration fee may apply. No one shall be turned away for inability to pay fee.*

For more information on seasonal flu protection and vaccine benefits, review the CDC's Key Facts Guide.

HOW TO SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT

Phone
Call 630-553-9100 to book your spot.

Online
Follow the QR code to request an appointment directly.

NEWARK CCSD 66 | 2026-2027 CALENDAR (Updated 6/15/2026)

AUGUST '26

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18 Teacher Institute
19 Teacher Institute
20 Student first day

SEPTEMBER '26

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07 Labor Day – no school
10 SIP Day 11:15/11:30

OCTOBER '26

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09 Teacher Institute
12 Columbus Day – no school
21 PT Conferences
22 1:15/1:30 dismissal
PT conference 2 – 7 pm
23 No School

NOVEMBER '26

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06 SIP Day 1:15 / 1:30

25 -27 Thanksgiving break

DECEMBER '26

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18 SIP Day 1:15/1:30
21-31 Winter Break

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04 Teacher Institute
05 Students return
15 No School
18 M.L. King Day –no school

FEBRUARY '27

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12 SIP Day 1:15/1:30
15 Presidents' Day – no school

MARCH '27

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19 SIP Day 1:15/1:30
22 –26 Spring Break
29 Easter Monday – no school

APRIL '27

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30 SIP Day 11:15/11:30

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14 SIP Day 1:15/1:30
28 Last Day 1:15/1:30
31 Memorial Day

JUNE '27

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18 Juneteenth

JULY '27

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04 Independence Day

School Calendar © calendarlabs.com

Pre-School Calendar 2026-2027

August
24: First Day of Pre-School for 4's
25: First Day of Pre-School for 3's

September
7: No Pre-School (Labor Day)
10: No P.M. Pre-School

October
8: No P.M. Pre-School
9: No Pre-School
12: No Pre-School (Columbus Day)
21: Regular Day of Pre-School Conferences 4-7 pm
22: No P.M. Pre-School Conferences
23: No Pre-School Conferences

November
6: No P.M. Pre-School
25-27: Thanksgiving Break

December
17: No P.M. Pre-School
21-31: Holiday Break

January
1-4: Holiday Break
15: No Pre-School
18: No Pre-School (ML King Day)

February
15: No Pre-School (Presidents' Day)
25: No P.M. Pre-School Conferences
26: No Pre-School Conferences

March
18: No P.M. Pre-School
22-29: Spring Break

April

May
6: No Pre-School Conferences
7: No Pre-School Conferences
26: Last Day of Pre-School for 4's
27: Last Day of Pre-School for 3's