

# 2026-27 School Year – by event

Approved  
10/28/25



## School begins

### 1st day for returning teachers

- July 27

### Districtwide meeting day

- July 28

### First day for 6th & 9th grade – orientation

- July 31 – 8:15 a.m.-1 p.m.

### Indian Land Schools Only - First day for 5th & 7th grade – orientation

- July 31 – 8:15 a.m.-1 p.m.

### 1st day for all students

- Aug. 3

## Exams— No extracurriculars

### Final exams for first term

- Dec. 17 & 18 (Early dismissal Dec. 18)  
(no extracurricular activities on Dec. 16 & 17)

### Final exams for second term

- May 27 & 28 (Early dismissal May 28) (no extracurricular activities on May 26 & 27)

## End of school

### Last student school day

- May 28

## Graduation

### Graduation

- May 27 & 28

## Student Half-days

### 1st term exams/ term ends

- Dec. 18

### 2nd term exams/ term ends

- May 28

## Holidays

### Labor Day (no students/staff, offices)

- Sept. 7

### Fall Break (no students/staff)

- Oct. 5-9

### Election Day (no students/staff, offices)

- Nov. 3

### Thanksgiving (no students/staff)

- Nov. 25-27

### Winter break (no students/staff/offices)

- Dec. 21- Jan. 1

### Teacher workdays (no students)

- July 27, 31
- Jan. 4 - Teacher workday, no students (Make-up day, if needed; comp day for Fall parent/teacher conferences)

- February 15

- March 26 (Make-up day, if needed; comp day for Spring parent/teacher conferences)

- June 1 - Teacher workday

### MLK holiday (no students/staff/offices)

- Jan. 18

### Professional development (no students)

- July 28, 29, 30 (July 28 – district in-service)
- Oct. 12
- Feb. 1

### Spring break (no students/staff/offices)

- March 29 - April 2 (March 29-31, make-up days, if needed (April 1-2, guaranteed spring break))

### Memorial Day (no students/staff/offices)

- May 31

### Other Holidays (no students/staff)

- February 16-19

## Early Release Days

- Aug. 28
- Sept. 25
- Oct. 30
- Jan. 29
- March 5
- April 30

## Reporting periods

### Elementary/middle/high schools

- 1st reporting period ends—Oct. 13
- 2nd reporting period/1st semester ends – Dec. 18
- 3rd reporting period ends—March 18
- End of School Year – May 28

## Report cards

### Elementary/middle/high schools

(Interim reports issued at middle of each 9 weeks)

- 1st report card—Oct. 20
- 2nd report card—Jan. 4
- 3rd report card—March 24
- End-of-year report card—By June 11

## State testing

### CogAT and IA— Grade 2

- TBD

### ACT WorkKeys spring exam

- TBD

### AP exams

- May 1-14

## Teacher workdays

### Teacher workdays—

- Full days— July 27, 31, Jan. 4, March 26, June 1

## Professional Development

### Professional development

#### for all teachers—

- Full days— July 28, 29, 30, Oct. 12, Feb. 1

## Student make-up days

- Jan. 4, March 26, March 29, 30, 31

## SAT & PSAT dates

### PSAT/NMSQT

- TBD

### SAT

- TBD

### ACT

- TBD

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