

2026 - 27 School Calendar

August 2026

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Aug. 3 - 7 -- Pre-planning for Teachers (5 weekdays)
Aug. 10 -- School Begins - First Day for Students

September 2026

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Sept. 7 -- Holiday - Labor Day
Sept. 15 -- Interim Reports Available in Family Access

October 2026

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Oct. 9 -- Holiday - UF Homecoming
Oct. 13 -- End of First Nine Weeks
Oct. 16 -- Student Holiday/Teacher Workday
Oct. 22 -- Report Cards Available in Family Access

November 2026

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Nov. 11 -- Holiday - Veterans Day
Nov. 19 -- Interim Reports Available in Family Access
Nov. 23-24 -- Student/Teacher Holidays
Nov. 25-27 -- Holiday - Thanksgiving

December 2026

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Dec. 18 -- Student/ Teacher Holiday - FLEX DAY #1
Dec. 21 - Jan. 1 -- Winter Holidays (10 weekdays)

January 2027

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Dec. 21 - Jan. 1 -- Winter Holidays
Jan. 4 -- Student/Teacher Holiday - FLEX DAY #2
Jan. 5 -- Classes Resume
Jan. 12 -- Start of Second Semester
Jan. 15 -- Student Holiday/ Teacher Workday
Jan. 18 -- Holiday - M. L. King, Jr.
Jan. 21 -- Report Cards Available in Family Access

February 2027

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Feb. 15 -- Holiday - President's Day
Feb. 18 -- Interim Reports Available in Family Access

March 2027

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Mar. 15 - 19 -- Spring Holidays (5 weekdays)
Mar. 26 -- End of Third Nine Weeks
Mar. 29 -- Student Holiday/Teacher Workday
Mar. 31 - April 7 -- State Writing Test Grades 4-10

April 2027

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March 31 - April 7 -- State Writing Test Grades 4 - 10
April 6 -- Report Cards Available in Family Access

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May 4 -- Interim Reports Available in Family Access
May 4 - 20 -- Grades 3 - 10 ELA test (FAST)
May 5 - 13 -- End of Course (EOC) Testing
May 6 - 10 -- National Teacher Appreciation Week
May 13 -- Grades 5 & 8 Science Testing
May 28 -- Last Day for Students
May 31 -- Holiday - Memorial Day

June 2027

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June 1 - 2 -- Post-Planning
June 19 -- Juneteenth

July 2027

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July 4 -- Fourth of July

School Starts
 Student Holidays
 Report Cards/Progress Reports
 Last Day for Students

REMEMBER!

When approaching a stopped school bus that has displayed a stop signal, you must stop and wait for the bus to withdraw its signal before proceeding. If there is a divided highway with an unpaved space of at least 5 feet, a raised median, or a physical barrier, a motorist who is traveling in the opposite direction of the bus is not required to stop.

- The district will utilize Flex Days if school must be cancelled for a hurricane or other emergency. The Flex Days will be utilized in the following order: December 18 and January 4
- If more than two days of school are missed, the district may have to add minutes to the school day after utilizing the scheduled flex days.

A Message from Superintendent Dr. Kamela Patton



On behalf of our School Board and the entire Alachua County Public Schools family, I am excited to welcome our students, families, employees, and community members to a new school year.

Each year brings new opportunities to learn, grow, and achieve, and I am confident the 2026-27 school year will be filled with success. Our dedicated teachers, support staff, administrators, and

community partners remain committed to providing every student with a safe, supportive, and engaging learning environment where they can reach their full potential.

As we continue our work to strengthen schools and expand opportunities for students, we are grateful for the partnership and support of families and the community. Together, we are preparing students for academic success, and for success in college, careers, and life.

This calendar is designed to help you stay informed about important dates and events throughout the school year. I encourage you to keep it handy and stay connected with your child's school and the district. I also want to extend my thanks to Sheriff Chad Scott and the Alachua County Sheriff's Department for once again sponsoring the calendar.

Thank you for being part of Alachua County Public Schools. I look forward to a wonderful year of learning, achievement, and growth.



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Employees: Alisha Williams, Human Resources Supervisor | Title IX Coordinator, Human Resources | (352) 955 - 7713 | williamsar@alachuaschools.net

Students: Dr. Toni Griffin, School Counseling Supervisor | 504 Compliance Officer and ADA Coordinator, Student Services | (352) 955 - 7676 ext. 1610 | griffitts1@alachuaschools.net

Students: Damera Hopkins, Mental Health Supervisor | Title IX Coordinator, Student Services | (352) 955-7676 ext. 6342 | hopkinsdl@alachuaschools.net

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Frequently Called Numbers

Adult Education	955-7035
Alachua County Public Schools Foundation	955-7250 x 6415
Board Agenda Information	955-7580
Career & Technical Education	955-6847
Communications and Community Initiatives	955-7545
Curriculum	955-7607
District Switchboard	955-7300
Exceptional Student Ed./Student Support Services	955-7671 x1600
Food Service	955-7539 x1560
GED	955-7795
Home School Information	955-7617
Human Resources/Personnel	955-7727
Safety and Security	955-7514
School Counseling	955-7671 x1604
Student Assignment/Zoning	955-7700
Testing	955-7699
Transportation	955-7602
Volunteer Business Partnership Program	955-7250 x 6411
VPK/HIPPY	955-6875

A Message from Alachua County Sheriff Chad D. Scott

As we begin a new school year, I want to reaffirm the Alachua County Sheriff's Office commitment to the safety and wellbeing of every student, teacher, and staff member within our school system.

Creating a safe learning environment is a shared responsibility that extends beyond the classroom. Parents and guardians play a critical role by maintaining open and honest conversations with their children about appropriate conduct, responsible decision making, and the dangers associated with risky behaviors, social media threats, bullying, violence, and substance abuse.

We encourage all families to stay engaged, know what is happening in their children's lives, and foster an environment where concerns can be discussed openly and without fear.

Most importantly, we ask everyone to remember a simple but powerful message: If you see something, say something. Reporting suspicious activity, threats, or concerning behavior can help prevent incidents before they occur and ensure that

students receive the support they may need. Remember that FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials. The app is free and can be downloaded in the Apple App Store or Google Play.

The safety of our schools is a community effort. By working together, students, parents, educators, and law enforcement can make this school year safe, productive, and successful for every child.

On behalf of the men and women of the Alachua County Sheriff's Office, thank you for your partnership and commitment to our children.



Chad D. Scott
Sheriff of Alachua County