

Decatur Public Schools District 61 26-27 Calendar

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2025-2026
CALENDAR

August

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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Board of Education Meeting Dates

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June 10, 2025	September 23, 2025	January 27, 2026	April 28, 2026
June 24, 2025	October 14, 2025	February 10, 2026	May 12, 2026
July 15, 2025**	October 28, 2025	February 24, 2026	May 26, 2026
August 05, 2025**	November 11, 2025*	March 10, 2026	June 09, 2026
August 19, 2025**	December 16, 2025**	March 24, 2026	June 23, 2026
September 09, 2025	January 13, 2026	April 14, 2026	July 14, 2026*

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Open House
Aug. 12 K-8 | Aug. 19 SDMS | Aug. 20 EHS & MHS

Teacher Institute Day

Aug. 13 First Day of School
May 26 Last Day of School (Half Day)

Half Day of School
Semester 1: Sept. 17 | Oct. 15 | Nov. 12. | Dec. 10
Semester 2: Jan. 14 | Feb. 11 | Apr. 15. | May 26

School Breaks
November 24 - 28, 2025 Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 22, 2025 - Jan. 02, 2026 Winter Break
March 16 - 20, 2026 Spring Break

Student Attendance Day
Tuesday, November 11 | Observe Holiday Wed., November 26, 2025
Monday, March 02 | Observe Holiday Mon., April 06, 2026

No School Parent Teacher Conferences
Friday, October 10, 2025 (Fall)
Friday, March 13, 2026 (Spring)

No School (Optional) Teacher Workday
Friday Jan. 02, 2026

No School | District Offices Closed
Monday, September 01, 2025 Thursday, January 01, 2026
Monday, October 13, 2025 Monday, January 19, 2026
Wednesday, November 26, 2025 Monday, February 16, 2026
Thursday, November 27, 2025 Friday, April 03, 2026
Friday, November 28, 2025 Monday, April, 06, 2026
Wednesday, December 24, 2025 Monday, May 25, 2026
Thursday, December 25, 2025 Friday, June 19, 2026
Friday, December 26, 2025 Friday, July 03, 2026

(5) Emergency Days
Make-Up Day of School if Snow Day(s) Taken

IPR Period End Date | IPR Distribution Date

Quarter 1 September 12, 2025	IPR Distribution September 19, 2025
Quarter 2 November 14, 2025	IPR Distribution November 21, 2025
Quarter 3 February 6, 2026	IPR Distribution February 13, 2026
Quarter 4 April 17, 2026	IPR Distribution April 24, 2026

Quarter & Semester End Date | Report Card Distribution Date

Q1 October 9, 2025	Report Card Distribution 10/17/2025
Q2 & S1 December 19, 2025	Report Card Distribution 01/09/2026
Q3 March 6, 2026	Report Card Distribution 03/12/2026
Q4 & S2 May 22, 2026	Report Card Distribution 05/26/2026

2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

SCHOOL BELL TIMES & HALF DAY DISMISSAL

SCHOOL	REGULAR DAY	HALF DAY
Baum Elementary School	7:40 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	7:40 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.
Dennis Lab School	8:25 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.	8:25 a.m. - 11:25 a.m.
Ellsworth Dansby Jr. Magnet School	8:25 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.	8:25 a.m. - 11:25 a.m.
Franklin Grove Elementary School	7:40 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	7:40 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.
Hope Academy	8:25 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.	8:25 a.m. - 11:25 a.m.
Johns Hill Magnet School	7:40 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	7:40 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.
Montessori Academy for Peace	9:15 a.m. - 3:35 p.m.	9:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
AM PreK at Montessori	9:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.	9:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
PM PreK at Montessori	1:05 p.m. - 3:35 p.m.	No Attendance
Muffley Elementary School	7:40 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	7:40 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.
Parsons Elementary School	7:40 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	7:40 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.
Pershing Early Learning Center AM	9:00 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.	9:00 p.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Pershing Early Learning Center PM	12:50 - 3:30 p.m.	No Attendance
Pershing Full-Day PreK	9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Social Emotional Learning Academy	8:00 a.m. - 1:25 p.m.	8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
South Shores Elementary School	7:40 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	7:40 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.
Stephen Decatur Middle School	9:15 a.m. - 3:35 p.m.	9:15 a.m. - 12:05 p.m.
Eisenhower High School	8:10 a.m. - 2:55 p.m.	8:10 a.m. - 11:10 a.m.
MacArthur High School	8:10 a.m. - 2:55 p.m.	8:10 a.m. - 11:10 a.m.
Heartland Tech Academy AM	8:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.	8:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.
Heartland Tech Academy PM	12:20 p.m. - 2:20 p.m.	12:20 p.m. - 2:20 p.m.
DPS Alternative Education	7:40 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	7:40 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.

DATES OF HALF DAYS

SEMESTER 1:

SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

OCTOBER, 15, 2025

NOVEMBER 12, 2025

DECEMBER 10, 2025

SEMESTER 2:

JANUARY 14, 2026

FEBRUARY 11, 2026

APRIL 15, 2026

MAY 26, 2026



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