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2026-2027 School Year Calendar

Pre-Labor Day Start

August 2026							Student Days		Staff Days
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	S			
						1	21 (F)	Administrative and Supervisory Personnel Meeting	
							24 (M)	Teachers and School Based Staff on Duty	
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	25 (T)	Systemwide Professional Development Activities	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	26 (W)	Teacher Classroom Preparation Day	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	27 (Th)	Orientation for Students Entering Grades 6 and 9	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	28 (F)	Teacher Classroom Preparation Day	
30	31						31 (M)	Opening Day for Students	
							1		6

September 2026							Student Days		Staff Days
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	S			
		1	2	3	4	5	2 (W)	First Full Day of Kindergarten (Transportation Begins)	
							7 (M)	Labor Day – Schools and Offices Closed	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	21 (M)	Systemwide Professional Development Day – Schools Closed for Students – Teachers on Duty – Yom Kippur	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20/21		21/27
20	21	22	23	24	25	26			
27	28	29	30						

October 2026							Student Days		Staff Days
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	S			
				1	2	3	12 (M)	Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples' Day*	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	16 (F)	Systemwide Professional Development Day/MSEA Convention – Schools Closed for Students – Teachers on Duty or at the Convention	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	30 (F)	First Marking Period Ends – All Schools Close 3 Hours Early for Students – Grade Reporting and Data Analysis**– Teachers on Duty	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	21/42		22/49
25	26	27	28	29	30	31			



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November 2026							Student Days		Staff Days
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	S	3 (T)	Election Day – Schools and Offices Closed	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	11 (W)	Veteran's Day*	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	12 (Th)	Report Cards Distributed	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	16-20 (M-F)	American Education Week	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	16 (M)	Prekindergarten 3, Prekindergarten 4, and Elementary Conference Day – No Prekindergarten Sessions and Schools Closed for Elementary Students – Middle and High Schools in Session Full Day – Teachers on Duty	
29	30						17 (T)	Prekindergarten 3 and Prekindergarten 4 Conference Day – No Prekindergarten Sessions – Teachers on Duty	
							25 (W)	Thanksgiving Holiday Begins at the End of the School Day; Schools and Offices Close 3 Hours Early	
							26-27 (Th-F)	Thanksgiving Holiday – Schools and Offices Closed	
							17-18/59-60		18/67

December 2026							Student Days		Staff Days
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	S	23 (W)	Winter Break Begins at the End of the School Day	
		1	2	3	4	5	17/76-77		17/84
6	7	8	9	10	11	12			
13	14	15	16	17	18	19			
20	21	22	23	24	25	26			
27	28	29	30	31					

January 2027							Student Days		Staff Days
							4 (M)	Schools Reopen	
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	S	15 (F)	Second Marking Period Ends – All Schools Close 3 Hours Early for All Students – Grade Reporting and Data Analysis** – Teachers on Duty	
					1	2			
3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	18 (M)	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – Schools and Offices Closed	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	19 (T)	Systemwide Professional Development Day – Schools Closed for Students	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30			
31							28 (Th)	Report Cards Distributed	
							18/94-95		19/103



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February 2027							Student Days		Staff Days	
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	S	10 (W)	All Schools Close 3 Hours Early for All Students – Staff Engage in Afternoon Professional Development		
	1	2	3	4	5	6		15 (M)	Presidents’ Day, Washington’s Birthday – Schools and Offices Closed	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13				
14	15	16	17	18	19	20				
21	22	23	24	25	26	27			19/113-114	19/122
28										

March 2027							Student Days		Staff Days
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	S	10 (W)	Systemwide Professional Development Day – Schools Closed for Students – Teachers on Duty – Eid al-Fitr	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	19 (F)	Spring Break Begins at the End of the School Day	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	25 (Th)	Maryland Day*	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	30 (T)	Schools Reopen	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27		16/129-130	17/139
28	29	30	31						

April 2027							Student Days		Staff Days
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	S	2 (F)	Third Marking Period Ends – All Schools Close 3 Hours Early for Students – Grade Reporting and Data Analysis** –Teachers on Duty	
				1	2	3	15 (Th)	Report Cards Distributed	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	16 (F)	Prekindergarten 3, Prekindergarten 4, and Kindergarten Conference Day – No Prekindergarten or Kindergarten Sessions – Teachers on Duty	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	19 (M)	Prekindergarten 3 and Prekindergarten 4 Conference Day – No Prekindergarten Sessions – Teachers on Duty	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24			
25	26	27	28	29	30				
							22/151-152		22/161

May 2027						
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Student Days		Staff Days
17 (M)	Systemwide Professional Development Day – Schools Closed for Students – Teachers on Duty – Eid al-Adha	
21 (F)	Last Day for Seniors	
24-29 (M-S)	Commencement Exercises	
31 (M)	Memorial Day – Schools and Offices Closed	
19/170-171		20/181



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June 2027							Student Days		Staff Days
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	S			
		1	2	3	4	5	1-5 (T-S)	Commencement Exercises	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	15 (T)	Assessment Day*** – Elementary, Middle, and High Schools in Session Full Day – Last Day of Classes for Prekindergarten 3 and Prekindergarten 4## (Inclement Weather Make-up Day #1)	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	16 (W)	Assessment Day*** – All Schools Close 3 Hours Early for Students – Grade Reporting and Data Analysis** – Teachers on Duty## (Inclement Weather Make-up Day #2)	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17 (T)	Assessment Day*** – Last Day of Classes – All Schools Close 3 Hours Early for Students – Grade Reporting and Data Analysis** – Teachers on Duty, Last Day for Teachers## (Inclement Weather Make-up Day #3)	
27	28	29	30				18 (F)	Juneteenth Observed – Schools and Offices Closed	
							13/183-184		13/194
							TOTAL	183-184	194

July 2027							2 (F)	Summer School Employees on Duty
				1	2	3	5 (M)	Independence Day Observed – Schools and Offices Closed
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	6 (T)	Summer School Begins
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	30 (F)	Summer School Ends
18	19	20	21	22	23	24		
25	26	27	28	29	30	31		



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Key: Gray shaded box  : Schools closed for students; half-shaded gray box  : Half day for students

Green outlined box  : First day of school for students

Red outlined box  : Last day of school for students if all three (3) inclement weather days are used

Yellow shaded box  : Inclement weather make-up days

* Schools open with appropriate exercises OR appropriate exercises to be scheduled on the school day prior.

** GRADE AND DATA RECORDING, DATA ANALYSIS – Principals and teachers will have time for grade and data recording, data analysis/progress assessment.

***ASSESSMENT DAY – High schools will have the opportunity to administer traditional final exams or to use alternative assessment procedures.

Adjustments to the School Calendar

As shown, this calendar includes three (3) emergency closure make-up days.

If **no** emergency closure days occur, the school year will end for students on Monday, June 14, 2027, and the Assessment Days, the last day of classes for Prekindergarten 3 and Prekindergarten 4, and the last day for teachers will be re-designated accordingly.

Should emergency closures occur, the make-up days will be as follows:

Emergency Closure #1 Make-up Day will be Tuesday, June 15, 2027

Emergency Closure #2 Make-up Day will be Wednesday, June 16, 2027

Emergency Closure #3 Make-up Day will be Thursday, June 17, 2027

Please note that if more than three (3) emergency closures occur, BCPS will implement virtual learning. There will be no more than a total of eight (8) virtual days. If there are a significant number of delayed openings and/or early dismissals, or 8 virtual days are used, the school calendar also may be adjusted appropriately to meet the minimum required student days and the required number of student hours.

These readjustments may include the re-designation of holidays as student days; the adjustment of Spring break; the re-designation of professional development days as student days; the cancellation of planned early releases; and the extension of the school year beyond Thursday, June 17, 2027.

Teacher duty days will not exceed 191.

Student Hours:

184 High School/Middle School student days – 3 Emergency Closure Days = 181 x 6.75 hours in student day = 1,221.75 hours



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High Schools

1,221.75 student hours – 21 hours (planned early release) = 1,200.75 hours – 1,170 hours (required HS hours) =
30.75 hours balance

Middle Schools

1,221.75 student hours – 21 hours (planned early releases) = 1,200.75 hours – 1,080 hours (required MS hours) =
120.75 hours balance

183 Elementary School student days – 3 Emergency Closure Days = 180 x 6.75 hours in student day = 1,215 hours

Elementary Schools

1,215 student hours – 21 hours (planned early releases) = 1,194 hours – 1,080 hours (required ES hours) =
114 hours balance