

SHADY SIDE ACADEMY
Residential Life Events 2020-2021
~For Parents of Boarders~

ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO REVISION (ACCURATE AS OF 8/22/2020)

Revised Opening Days Schedule for Boarders:

- Tuesday, August 25 - Move-In Day #1: Prefects & 5-day Boarders
 - 5-day students will be allowed to move into their rooms on this day, but will not stay on campus until Friday night, August 28th or Saturday, August 29th.
 - Prefects will move-in and participate in training over the course of the week.
- Wednesday, August 26 - Move-In Day #2: NEW Boarding Students
- Thursday, August 27 - Move-In Day #3: NEW Boarding Students
- Friday, August 28 - Move-In Day #4: Returning 7-day Boarders
- Saturday, August 29 - COVID-19 Testing Administered (10 AM - 12 PM)
 - All boarders (5- and 7-day) should return to campus by no later than 10 AM
- Saturday, August 29 - Monday, August 31: All Boarders quarantine on campus until test results are received (approximately 48 hours).
- Sunday, August 30
 - 5:30 - 6:30 pm - Boarding Parent Information Session (online via [Zoom](#))
 - 7:00 - 8:30 pm - Form III (Grade 9) and New Student Parent Night (online via Zoom)
- Tuesday, September 1
 - COVID-19 Testing Administered for anyone arriving past morning of August 29
 - Any student tested on this date will quarantine until test results are received within 48 hours. This will require such students to attend the first two days of school remotely from their room or another approved location.
 - 9:00 am - 12:30 pm - Orientation for ALL Form III (Grade 9) Students
 - 10:00 am - 12:30 pm - Orientation for NEW Form IV & V (Grade 10 & 11) Students
 - 9:00 - 11:30 am - Welcome Back & Orientation for ALL Form VI (Grade 12) Students
 - 12:30 - 3:00 pm - Optional Form VI (Grade 12) Time with College Counseling Office
- Wednesday, September 2
 - 9:00 - 11:30 am - Welcome Back & Orientation for ALL Form IV & V (Grade 10 & 11) Students

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- Thursday, September 3
 - 8:00 am - 3:20 pm - Day 1 Full-Day Schedule for Forms III & VI (Grades 9 & 12)
- Friday, September 4
 - 8:00 am - 3:20 pm - Day 1 Full-Day Schedule for Forms IV & V (Grades 10 & 11)
- Tuesday, September 8
 - 8:30 am - 3:20 pm - First Full Day of Classes for all Forms

Res Life Family Events (Boarding Families included)

May 26, 2021, Wednesday 6:00pm End of Year Celebration Dinner

Res Life Community Events (FYI)

October 26, Monday	Halloween Celebration Dinner
November 16, Monday	Thanksgiving Holiday Dinner
December 16, Wednesday	Winter Holiday Dinner
February 8, Wednesday	Chinese New Year Dinner

Vacations and Dorm Closures:

Prior to departing, students are required to provide their vacation travel plans through the REACH Boarding software program, indicating specific travel information, as well as departure and arrival times. They are also required to have their rooms inspected by the Dorm Head or dormitory faculty on duty for cleanliness before they are permitted to leave on vacation. Failure to appropriately sign out and/or pass room inspection will result in a disciplinary response. During school vacations, students are not permitted to return to the dormitory (even just to stop in to pick up belongings) prior to the scheduled return date without prior approval from the Dorm Head or Dean of Student and Residential Life.

Note that INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS who are traveling internationally may return to campus up to twenty-four hours earlier than the stated return dates at the end of the winter and spring school breaks (they may not return early at the end of the Thanksgiving Break). The departure and return dates for the major school vacations for the 2020-2021 year are:

- Thanksgiving Recess¹:
 - Students must depart by 6:00 pm on Tuesday, November 24, 2020.
 - All students should return between 3:00 - 7:30 pm on Monday, November 30, 2020.
- Winter Recess:
 - Students may depart from campus following their last school commitment on Friday, December 18, 2020. All students MUST depart by 10:00 am on Saturday, December

¹ We have not yet determined if the dormitories will remain open over Thanksgiving vacation for students.

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- 19, 2020.
- End of Winter Recess: International students may return after 5:00 pm on Saturday, January 2, 2021 with prior permission. All other students should return by 7:30 pm on Sunday, January 3, 2021. Classes begin on Monday, January 4, 2021.
 - Spring Recess:
 - Students may depart from campus following their last school commitment on Friday, March 19, 2021. All students MUST depart by 10:00 am on Saturday, March 20, 2021.
 - End of Spring Recess: International students may return after 5:00 pm on Sunday, April 4, 2021 with prior permission. All other students should return by 7:30 pm on Monday, April 5, 2021. Classes begin on Tuesday, April 6, 2021.
 - End of School Year:
 - All boarders are required to stay through Commencement. Boarders may depart after 1:00 pm on Friday, June 4, 2021. All boarding students must depart from campus by 2:00 pm on Saturday, June 5, 2021.
 - Further information regarding the move-out process will be communicated.