

**Briarwood Christian School**  
**Lower School Calendar 2021-2022**

*In light of current circumstances, please note that dates, events, programs, and details are subject to cancellation or modification. Specific details will be sent to you as we approach each event. We are still working on the location and details for some events. Specific grade level events such as field trips, Briarpatch Day, etc. will be shared as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience and flexibility.*

**July/August**

July 28-30	New Teacher Training
August 2-6	Teacher Inservice
August 9	New Student Orientation/Open House for Returning Students <a href="#">Click here for schedule</a>
August 10	First day of school- School begins at 8:00 am for JK-6th grade students.
August 17	3rd Grade Parent Orientation- Lunch and Learn-Noon-1:00 pm. More details to come.
August 26	Back to School Night- 6:30 pm, Worship Center, more details to come
August 31	School Pictures- Early Childhood- JK-2nd

**September**

September 3	School Pictures- Elementary Division- 3rd-6th
September 6	Labor Holiday- <i>No school for students</i>
September 8-10	MapGrowth Testing K-3rd Grade
September 17	Parent-Teacher Conferences- <i>No school for students, childcare will be provided for students who normally stay in the Lion's Den</i> <b>details to come</b>
September 22	Prayer at the Pole event- details to come
September 24	BCS Homecoming- <b>early afternoon dismissal for the parade</b> , childcare will be provided for students who normally stay in the Lion's Den, details to come
September 26-29	BCS Accreditation Visit

**October**

October 5	Fall Festival- Details to come
October 8	End of First 9 weeks
October 8	Picture Retake Day
October 14-18	<b>Fall Break-<u>No</u> school for students, no Lion's Den</b>

## November

November 8	<b>Grandparents' Day-</b> We are making some changes to this program and scaling this down to keep everyone safe and healthy!! Details will be sent after school begins! <b><i>This will be an early dismissal day for students, childcare will be provided for students who normally stay in the Lion's Den.</i></b>
November 22-26	<b>Thanksgiving Holidays</b>

## December

December 3	1st Grade Christmas Program- 8:45 am
December 10	5th and 6th Grade Choir Christmas Program- 8:45 am, Worship Center
Dec. 16	End of Second 9 Weeks, Christmas Parties, <b>Early Dismissal-</b> No Lion's Den services No PM shuttle-more details to come
Dec. 17-Jan. 3	<b>Christmas Holidays</b> *Please note- Classes resume on <u>TUESDAY</u> , Jan. 4th

## Second Semester

### January

January 3	<b>Teacher Inservice Day-</b> No School/Lion's Den
January 4 (Tuesday)	Classes Resume/Third Semester begins
January 17	<b>Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday</b> No school/No Lion's Den
January 24-26	MAP Growth Testing this week K-3rd Grade
January 28	4th Grade Music Program-8:45 am, Worship Center

### February

February 4	5th/6th Grade Band Winter Program- 8:45 am, Worship Center
February 7-11	4th-6th Grade CTP Testing
February 21	<b>Presidents' Day Holiday</b> <u>No school or Lion's Den</u>
February 22	<b>Teacher Inservice Day</b> <u>No school or Lion's Den service</u>

### March

March 11	End of 3rd nine week, 3rd Grade Choir Program-8:45am, Worship Center
March 15	OLSAT Testing 1st, 3rd, and 5th grade
March 18	Parent-Teacher Conferences- <u>No school for students, childcare will be provided for students who normally stay in the Lion's Den-</u> <b>details to come</b>
March 28-April 1	<b>Spring Break-</b> <u>No school or Lion's Den service</u>

## April

April 8	Kindergarten- <i>Three Tall Trees</i> Program- 8:45 am, Worship Center
April 11-13	MapGrowth Testing K-3rd Grade
April 15	<b>Good Friday Holiday-<u>No</u> school or <i>Lion's Den</i> service</b>
April 22	5th/6th Grade Instrument Ensemble Program, time TBD, Worship Center
April 29	5th/6th Grade Choir- Spring Concert-8:45 am

## May

May 5	National Day of Prayer- 9:15 am, Prayer at the Pole event- <b><i>location/details to come</i></b>
May 17	Elementary Academic Competition Recognition- 8:45 am <b><i>location/details to come</i></b>
May 18	2nd Grade Music Program- 8:45 am, Worship Center
May 19	6th Grade Promotion- 9:30 am, Worship Center
May 20	Last day of School-Early Dismissal ½ day, End of Year Parties, no <i>Lion's Den</i> , no afternoon shuttle

### Important Notes about the 2021-2022 Calendar

- It is important to remember that while our current global health crisis is improving and we are making strides to return to a sense of “normalcy” it is still necessary for us to be prudent and cautious with all events and activities for the upcoming school year. Flexibility is the name of the game this year! We will keep you updated as we approach each event. All dates, events and locations are subject to change.
- Grandparents/Veterans Day celebration will be held November 8th. As mentioned above we are making changes to this program to reduce the number of people on campus. All grades will not be involved in this event. This will be a half day of school with a child care option for those who may need it. More details will come once the school year begins.
- We will be making modifications to our class party procedures and protocols. We will be limiting the number of parents and guests in the building and in classrooms. More details will be shared at the start of school.
- BACK TO SCHOOL/MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT will be in person this year.
- Details about summer reading awards will be coming in August.
- Fall Festival will be Oct. 5th. We are excited to bring this fun event back and will consider health and safety protocols as plans are made. We will also host our annual Pumpkin Patch. More details to come.
- Briarpatch Day (our version of Field Day) plans and dates will be announced in the second semester.
- Grade level field trip dates and information will be announced as the year progresses and we assess the feasibility and safety of each trip.
- We are assessing the viability of the 5th grade Washington DC trip and a potential 6th grade trip. We will provide more information once school begins.