

BLAIR ACADEMY

School Calendar

The One Hundred Seventy-Fourth Year

2021-2022

Fall Semester

Monday, August 23	Football pre-season athletes arrive & register... 10 a.m.
Sunday, August 29	Prefects arrive and register... TBD a.m.
Tuesday, August 31	Registration for pre-season fall sports (those invited by coaches)... 9 a.m.
Friday, September 3	Registration for international students... 9 a.m.
Sunday, September 5	Registration for all remaining boarding & day students... 9 a.m.
Monday, September 6	Full-day orientation program for all students... 9 a.m.
Monday, September 6	CONVOCATION... 7 p.m. (required for all students)
Tuesday, September 7	First semester begins
Saturday, September 11	Community Weekend #1
Saturday, September 18	Community Weekend #2
Monday, September 27	No classes. Varsity athletes due back for afternoon practices. Boarding students return by 7 p.m.
Friday, October 22 & Saturday, October 23	Family Weekend
Monday, October 25	No classes. Varsity athletes due back for afternoon practices. Boarding students return by 7 p.m.
Saturday, November 6	PEDDIE DAY at home; weekend departures begin after the conclusion of athletic contests.
Saturday, November 20*	Classes end by noon. Thanksgiving vacation begins; dormitories close.
Monday, November 29*	Boarding students return by 7 p.m.
Tuesday, November 30	Classes resume
Friday, December 10	CHRISTMAS VESPERS
Wednesday, December 15*	Assessments end by noon; first semester ends. Holiday break begins; dormitories close. <i>Grades & comments reported to parents after processing.</i> No student may depart for vacation prior to December 15.

Winter/Spring Semester

Thursday, January 6*	Boarding students return by 7 p.m.
Friday, January 7	J-term begins (in-person experience for all students)
Tuesday, January 18	Second semester begins
Saturday, January 22	Winter Ball
Friday, February 4*	Winter Long Weekend begins at noon after last class; dormitories close
Wednesday, February 9*	Boarding students return by 7 p.m.
Thursday, February 10	Classes resume
Saturday, March 5*	Spring break begins at noon after last class; dormitories close. <i>Grades reported to parents after processing.</i>
Monday, March 21*	Boarding students return by 7 p.m.
Tuesday, March 22	Classes resume
Friday, April 15	Classes end at noon. Students without athletic commitments may depart for the weekend. <i>Dorms remain open.</i>
Monday, April 18	No classes. Varsity athletes due back for afternoon practices. Boarding students return by 7 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20	Grandparents' Day
Monday, May 23	Senior Prize Assembly
Tuesday, May 24	Junior/Senior Prom
Wednesday, May 25	Packing Day for seniors; Class of 2022 Senior Assembly & Baccalaureate
Thursday, May 26	Graduation
Monday, May 29	Underclass exams begin in the afternoon
Tuesday, May 31	Underclass Prize Assembly
Thursday, June 2	Underclass exams end at noon. Students may depart for summer vacation; dormitories close for the summer. <i>Grades reported to parents after processing.</i>

***Please review the calendar carefully & plan well in advance when making travel arrangements. Each academic day in our calendar is essential...absences due to travel arrangements should be avoided.**

COMMUNITY WEEKENDS are designed to establish the sense of community at Blair that is central to the School's mission (or to build in structure for exam preparation). Various activities are planned for students' enjoyment. Parents may visit campus on those weekends, but are asked not to take their sons/daughters off campus.

***A NOTE REGARDING TRAVEL PLANS:** On the dates indicated with an asterisk, the School will arrange for charter bus or State Shuttle transportation to/from Port Authority (NYC) and area airports. **Whenever possible, book reservations departing from Newark Airport**, as it is more convenient than the other New York airports. Students departing out of Newark Airport for school breaks should schedule departures of 3:30 p.m. or later and 4:30 p.m. or later for other area airports. All questions regarding transportation should be directed to the Student Life Office at (908) 362-3120.