

School Calendar 2023-2024

August 7, Monday	Upper School Football Practice Begins
August 9, Wednesday	Upper School Fall Sports Practices Begin (except football)
August 21-23, Monday-Wednesday	New Faculty/Staff Orientation (NFO)
August 24-25, Thursday-Friday	All School Faculty/Staff Professional Development Days
August 28, Monday	Orientation Day – Class of 2027 and students new to Upper School
August 29, Tuesday	Orientation Day – Lower School and Middle School
August 30, Wednesday	Day 0 – Upper School First Day of School (mini schedule) Day 0 – Lower School/Middle School Grades Pre-K, K, P1, and 1 dismiss at noon
August 31, Thursday	Cycle Day 1 – Lower, Middle, and Upper School Grades Pre-K, K, P1, and 1 dismiss at noon
September 1, Friday	Cycle Day 2 – Lower, Middle, and Upper School Grades Pre-K, K, P1, and 1 dismiss at noon
September 4, Monday	Labor Day – School Closed
September 5, Tuesday	School Resumes – Cycle Day 3
September 19, Tuesday	Upper School Student/Faculty/Staff Photo Day/Interscholastic Coaches Photo Day
September 20, Wednesday	Middle School Student Photo Day; Faculty/Staff may attend
September 21, Thursday	Lower School Student Photo Day and Class Photos Grades Pre-K through 5; Faculty/Staff may attend
September 16, Saturday (begins Friday, September 15 at sundown)	No School Closure for Rosh Hashanah (because it falls on a weekend)
September 25, Monday (begin Sunday, September 24 at sundown)	Yom Kippur – School Closed
October 18, Wednesday	All School 2-Hour Delayed Opening (10 a.m.)
October 23, Monday	LS/MS/US/Faculty/Staff Photo Makeup Day
October 30, Monday	Fall Faculty Professional Development Day – School Closed for Students
November 6, Monday	Upper School Winter Sports Practices Begin
November 22-24, Wednesday-Sunday	Thanksgiving Break – School Closed
December 15, Friday	Last Day of Classes Before Winter Break Exam Makeup Day for US (US Reading Day: Monday, Dec. 11; US Exam Days: Tuesday-Thursday, Dec. 12-14) Early Dismissal for LS at noon and MS at 12:30 p.m.
December 16-January 2, Saturday-Tuesday	Winter Break – School Closed
January 3, Wednesday	Classes Resume
January 15, Monday	
January 13, Monday	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – School Closed
February 16, Friday	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – School Closed Winter Faculty Professional Development Day – School Closed for Students

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February 20, Tuesday	Upper School Spring Sports Practices Begin
February 28, Wednesday	All School 2-Hour Delayed Opening (10 a.m.)
March 8, Friday	Last Day of Classes Before Spring Break Early Dismissal (LS: noon / MS: 12:30 p.m. / US: after last academic appointment)
March 9-18 (Saturday-Monday)	Spring Break
March 19, Tuesday	Classes Resume
March 29, Friday	Good Friday Observance – School Closed
April 1, Monday	Spring Faculty Professional Development Day – School Closed for Students
April 24, Wednesday	All School 2-Hour Delayed Opening (10 a.m.)
May 27, Monday	Memorial Day (Observed) – School Closed
May 29, Wednesday	Last Day for Grades Pre-K, K, P1, 1, and 2 LS dismisses at noon / No ASP, SSH, or any after-school programs
May 30, Thursday	Middle School Closing Exercises at 8:30 a.m.
May 31, Friday	Lower School Closing Exercises for Grades 3-5 at 8:30 a.m.; Dismissal approximately 10:15 a.m. Faculty/Staff Lunch 11:15 a.m12:15 p.m. Faculty/Staff End-of-Year Program at 12:15 p.m.
May 31, Friday	Baccalaureate at 6:30 p.m.
June 1, Saturday	Commencement at 10:30 a.m. (Please note the time change)
June 3-4, Monday-Tuesday	Faculty Professional Development Days

The 2023-2024 calendar provides 171 school days.

If additional bad-weather closings require that School add more days to the calendar, the following days may be added:

Monday, March 18 (second Monday of spring break), Monday, April 1 (Professional Day), and/or Monday, May 27 (Memorial Day Observed).

Our school calendar, in conjunction with calendars at The Bryn Mawr School and Roland Park Country School, is based on the following assumptions:

- 1. The school year will generally begin on the Wednesday before Labor Day except when in conflict with a religious holiday or to achieve the requisite number of days (School will begin on Wednesday for the 2023-2024 school year).
- 2. The Bryn Mawr School Commencement will be on Friday, June 2 (to be confirmed). Gilman School's Commencement (Founders Day) will be on Saturday, June 1. The Roland Park Country School Commencement will be on Tuesday, June 6 (to be confirmed).
- 3. Winter and spring breaks aim to provide a combined total of approximately three school weeks of vacation.
- 4. We will provide three professional development days during the school year: one day each in the fall, winter, and spring.
- 5. School will be closed for the first day of Rosh Hashanah and on Yom Kippur when these holidays fall on a weekday. We will close the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. School will also be closed to observe Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday, Presidents Day, Good Friday, and Memorial Day.