SYA France Annual Calendar 2023-24

*If any calendar changes occur, we will notify students and parents.*

**September**

6  Full-Year (FY) and Semester 1 (S1) students depart from U.S
7  Arrival in CDG airport, bus to Rennes; first night with host family
8-21  Immersion and Orientation Unit
12  Math assessment
14  Day trip: crossing of the bay of the Mont St Michel
15  STAMP test: French assessment
21  Day trip: photography festival at La Gacilly
22  First day of regular schedule
26  Meeting with host families only (group 1)
27  Introductory Advisor Letters released to parents
28  Meeting with host families only (group 2)

**October**

7  SAT (students register on their own on the College Board website)
11  PSAT for all Juniors and Sophomores (tests ordered by SYA)
23-27  School trip to Bordeaux (mandatory for all students)
30-5  France school break (one week vacation break, no school) Independent day travel open for students on good academic standing (*no overnight travel allowed*)

**November**

6  Classes resume
10  Mid-semester 1 progress reports released to parents

**December**

2  SAT (students register on their own on the College Board website)
18  S1 students and host family cocktail at school
20  STAMP test for Semester 1 students in the AM – S1 students leave Rennes – overnight at CDG airport hotel (with chaperones)
21  S1 students return to the U.S – *flights must depart before 3pm from CDG* (any flight scheduled after 3pm will be considered independent travel)
21  School activity for FY students (mandatory)
22  Grades *only for Semester 1 students* released to parents (comments will be sent in January)
22-7  Winter vacation (no school) – FY students remain in-country for winter vacation (overnight independent travel in-country open)
23-3  School office will be closed (please do not ship any items during that time)
### January
- 7: FY students traveling must return to their host family from winter vacation before 6pm
- 8: Classes resume
- 12: Semester 2 (S2) students depart from the U.S
- 13: S2 students arrive in CDG, bus to Rennes – first night with host family
- 15: First day of school for S2 students: Immersion and Orientation Unit and core classes begin
- 17: FY students Grades and Comments and S1 students comments released to parents
- 17: STAMP test (French assessment) for S2 students in the PM

### February
- 2: Introductory Advisor Letter for S2 students released to parents
- 26-1: School trip to Paris (mandatory for all students)

### March
- 4-10: France school break (no school) – Independent travel open to students on good academic standing
- 9: SAT (students register on their own on the College Board website)
- 10: Students on independent travel must return to their host family before 6pm
- 11: Classes resume
- 18: Mid-semester 2 Grades and Comments released to parents
- 18: S2 students (only) advisor letters released to parents

### April
- 1: National holiday - Easter (no school)
- 22-26: School trip to Lyon (mandatory for all students)
- 29-5: France school break (overnight independent travel in-country open for students on good academic standing)

### May
- 4: SAT (students register on their own on the College Board website)
- 5: Students on independent travel must return to their host family before 6pm
- 6: Classes resume
- 6-17: AP exams
- 8: National holiday - Victory Day (no school)
- 9: National holiday - Ascension (no school)
- 10: Day trip (optional)
- 20: National holiday – Pentecost (no school)
- 21: Last day of school: STAMP test in the AM and students / host families celebration in the evening
- 22: FY and S2 students leave Rennes; overnight at CDG airport hotel (with chaperones)
- 23: Students return to the U.S – all flights must depart before 3pm from CDG

### June
- 3: Final Grades and Comments released to parents