

BLAIR ACADEMY

School Calendar

The One Hundred Seventy-Seventh Year

2024-2025

Fall Semester

Sunday, August 25	Football pre-season athletes arrive & register... 10:00 a.m.
Monday, August 26	Senior Leaders & Prefects arrive and register ... 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, August 28	Registration for pre-season fall sports (those invited by coaches) 9:00 a.m.
Monday, September 2	Registration for all remaining boarding & day students... 9:00 a.m. Orientation program begins in the afternoon
Tuesday, September 3	First semester begins
Friday, September 6	CONVOCATION... 7 p.m. (required for all students)
Saturday, September 7	Community Weekend #1
Saturday, September 14	Community Weekend #2
Monday, September 30	No classes. Varsity athletes due back for afternoon practices. Boarding students return by 7:45 p.m.
Friday, November 1 & Saturday, November 2	Family Weekend. Students may depart for the weekend after athletic competitions on Saturday.
Monday, November 4	No classes. Varsity athletes due back for afternoon practices. Boarding students return by 7 p.m.
Saturday, November 9	PEDDIE DAY at Peddie; weekend departures begin after the conclusion of athletic contests.
Saturday, November 23*	Classes end by noon. Thanksgiving vacation begins; dormitories close.
Sunday, December 1	Boarding students return by 7:45 p.m.
Monday, December 2	Classes resume
Saturday, December 14*	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 14.

Winter/Spring Semester

Monday, January 6*	Boarding students return by 7 p.m.
Tuesday, January 7	Second Semester begins
Saturday, January 11	Community Weekend #3
Saturday, January 18	Winter Ball
Friday, January 31*	Winter Long Weekend begins at noon after last class; dormitories close
Wednesday, February 5*	Boarding students return by 7:45 p.m.
Thursday, February 6	Classes resume
Thursday February 27	Intersession Begins
Friday, March 7*	Intersession continues until 4 p.m. Boarders may depart after its conclusion.
	Boarding students return by 7:45 p.m.
Monday, March 24*	Classes resume
Tuesday, March 25	Grandparent's Day
Wednesday, April 16	Easter Weekend classes end at noon and no Saturday classes
Friday, April 18	No classes. Athletes due back for afternoon practices. Boarding students return by 7:45 p.m.
Monday, April 21	Junior/Senior Prom
Tuesday, May 20	Packing Day for seniors; Class of 2025 Senior Assembly & Baccalaureate
Wednesday, May 21	Graduation
Thursday, May 22	Underclass Prize Assembly & All-school picnic to follow
Tuesday, May 27	Classes end at noon. Students may depart for summer vacation; dormitories close for the summer. <i>Grades reported to parents after processing.</i>
Wednesday, May 28	

***Please review the calendar carefully. 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 children 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