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Proud of Our Past, Focused on Our Future

Morgan Local Schools
2026-2027 CALENDAR
Student breaks are shaded

Calendar A

July 2026

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

October 2026

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23 EOT (43 Days)	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 22 T 22 O 22 S

August 2026

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 New Teacher	13 Flex Day	14 Staff PD	15
16	17 Staff PD 12-6:30	18 Staff PD	19 1 st Student Day	20	21	22
23 30	24 31	25	26	27	28	29 13 T 11 O 9 S

November 2026

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 PTC 12-7:15	11 VETS Day	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 No School	26 No School	27 No School	28
29	30 No School					16 T 16 O 15 S

September 2026

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 No School	8 No School	9 No School	10 No School	11 No School	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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December 2026

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 No School	22 No School	23 No School	24 No School	25 No School	26
27	28 No School	29 No School	30 No School	31 No School		14 T 14 O 14 S

January 2027

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April 2027

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
					1 No School	2
3	4 Staff PD	5 Student Day	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 EOT (43 Days)	16
17	18 No School	19	20	21	22	23
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February 2027

May 2027

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 PTC 12-7:15	5	6
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14	15 PRES Day	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 30	24 31	25	26	27 EOT (46 days) Last Day S	28 Last Day T	29 20 T 19 O 19 S

March 2027

June 2027

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Staff PD	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 EOT (42 Days)	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 No School	27
28	29 No School	30	31			21 T 21 O 20 S

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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13	14					19
20	21					26
27	28	29	30			

174 Student days
 7 Staff days
 2 PT days
 Teacher Total Days = 183
 Student Hours = 1068

Kindergarten Readiness Checklist

To do well in school, children need to be supported and nurtured in all areas of development.

It is also important that your child is physically, socially and emotionally ready for school. This checklist can help serve as your guide. But please remember, young children change so fast! If they cannot do something this week, you may see them do it a couple of weeks later.

Is your child ready for kindergarten? Ask yourself these questions:

Developmental Area	Tips and Activities to Help Prepare Your Child
<p>Physical Skills: Does your child . . .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Enjoy outdoor play (jumping, running, or climbing) ✓ Draw and trace basic shapes ✓ Cut with scissors ✓ Bounce a ball ✓ Ride a tricycle? 	<p>Materials to help develop motor skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Crayons/markers/pencils ○ Glue ○ Scissors ○ Paper ○ Puzzles ○ Legos/blocks <p>Activities that will help with coordination:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Climbing ○ Jumping ○ Skipping ○ Playing ball ○ Playground equipment ○ Riding a tricycle
<p>Health & Safety Has your child . . .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Had required shots ✓ Had a dental exam ✓ Had a vision exam ✓ Learned their own first and last name ✓ Learned first and last name of parent ✓ Learned to watch for cars when crossing street ✓ Learned not to talk to strangers ✓ Developed a set routine for going to bed ✓ Follow rules for safety? <p>Can your child . . .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Separate from parents without being upset ✓ Control oneself ✓ Share with others 	<p>Help your child . . .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Learn their full name ○ Learn their address ○ Learn their telephone number ○ Look both ways when crossing the street ○ Learn who to go to for help <p>At bedtime . . .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Read to your child ○ Talk with your child

<p>Personal Needs Without your help, can your child . . .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Use the bathroom ✓ Wash their hands ✓ Brush their teeth ✓ Use a tissue to blow their nose ✓ Button & zip up shirt and pants ✓ Put on and take off a coat ✓ Tie and Velcro their shoes? 	<p>Help your child . . .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Create a morning routine ○ Create a bedtime routine ○ Create a bathing routine ○ Create a tooth brushing routine ○ Practice putting shoes on ○ Practice tie shoes ○ Practice buttoning and zipping coats, shirts and pants ○ Learn to dress themselves ○ Learn to use words to tell grownups when they are feeling sick or hurt.
<p>Educational Needs Does your child . . .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Look at pictures and tell a story ✓ Sort objects by color, size and shape ✓ Recognize groups of 1-5 objects ✓ Recognize some sight words like “stop” ✓ Talk in complete sentences of 5 or 6 words ✓ Speak understandably ✓ Pay attention for short periods of time to adult-directed tasks? 	<p>Help your child . . .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Count to 10 ○ Identify some alphabet letters ○ Identify the beginning sounds in words ○ Identify rhyming words ○ Recognize their name ○ Write their name

Washington Morgan Community Action Programs

HEAD START & EARLY HEAD START

FREE Program for Infants, Toddlers, Pregnant Women and Preschool children



Prenatal Program

Get ready for your baby:

- Home visitation
- Prenatal education & support
- Assistance with accessing health & community resources
- Support after baby arrives

EARLY HEAD START (birth—3) & HEAD START (ages 3-5) provide:

- A safe environment that allows children to learn, relax, thrive, and have fun;
- An inclusive environment for children of all abilities, including children with disabilities;
- Free health, nutritional, & developmental screenings;
- Research based curriculum and ongoing assessment to ensure children are on track;
- Nutritious meals;
- Structured Schedule;
- Fun, engaging learning activities;
- Learning opportunities and assistance for families;
- Socialization experiences for home-base families; and MUCH MORE!



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Notice of Parent/Guardian Rights Parental Consent to Access Public Benefits (Medicaid) The Ohio Medicaid School Program

Ohio school districts have the opportunity to receive federal Medicaid dollars through a program called the Ohio Medicaid School Program (MSP). Through this program, school districts can receive Medicaid dollars for therapy services such as Speech, Audiology, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Nursing, Psychology, Counseling, and Social Work services. In the process of billing Medicaid for these services, billing information must be shared with the Ohio Department of Medicaid. For Medicaid billing purposes, schools must obtain a one-time signed Parental Consent to Share Health Information for the Ohio School Medicaid Program. After this one-time written consent, you will receive an annual notice of this consent.

Schools request this consent for all students who receive therapy services, even students who may not be currently enrolled in Medicaid. Some health information shared is specific to your student, while other information is related to all students within the entire school district. Schools can use this health information to help reduce the costs for services that the district must deliver pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). This student specific health information is protected and will be accessed only by people authorized to do so by the school's Medicaid contract.

Your consent is voluntary. You have the right to withdraw your consent at any time (34 CFR Part 99 and Part 300). You are not required to enroll in Medicaid. If your school does bill Medicaid, you will not be required to incur any out-of-pocket expenses such as a deductible or co-pay, decreased lifetime coverage, increased premiums or the discontinuation of benefits, or result in you paying for services.

Regardless of whether you grant consent, refuse consent, or revoke your consent, your child will still be provided with an evaluation and/or the services as identified by the school district at no cost to you.

Please contact **Healthcare Billing Services, Inc.** at **(740) 639-4218** with questions regarding the MSP Parental Consent.



Dear Families,

We at your local Kate Love Simpson Library realize and value the importance of literacy in the lives of all children. We would like to give your child the opportunity to get his or her first library card, an updated card, or a free replacement card. This card will allow them to borrow books, CDs, DVDs, as well as other materials found in the library. Cardholders can also check out books from our Bookmobile with their cards during monthly school visits, download free music, access our collection of digital audio/eBooks, and utilize the Internet at our facilities. (PARENTAL PERMISSION REQUIRED).

If you would like to have your child participate in our services, please fill out the attached application **front and back**. Please return the application with your child's Kindergarten Registration. We need your signature for each privilege listed (DVD checkouts/Internet use). Your child's card will be mailed to your home after applications have been processed. If you have any questions about any of our library card policies please contact us.

Main Library

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358 E. Main Street

McConnelsville Oh 43756

Chesterhill Branch

(740)-554-7104

7502 Marion Street

Chesterhill Oh 43728

It is a pleasure serving you and your child and we hope to see your whole family at the library soon.

Sincerely,

Cassie Palmer