



FALL 2026 K-12 PLANNING GUIDE

While the 2025–26 school year is still in full swing, Shakopee Public Schools is sharing information early to help families prepare for Fall 2026. Additional details and reminders will be shared this spring/summer.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR *2026-27 School Year*

- **First Day of School, Grades 6-12***: Tuesday, September 1 (see *Grade Level Updates* below for important information)
 - **E-5 Connect & Celebrate/Assess**: September 1-2, 2026
 - **First Day of School, Grades E-5**: Thursday, September 3
 - **No School for all E-12 Students**: Friday, September 4 and Monday, September 7 (Labor Day)
- Additional secondary open house and schedule/device pickup dates will be shared in the spring/early summer.*

SEPTEMBER 2026				
M	T	W	TH	F
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30		



View approved school year calendars by visiting bit.ly/SPSDistrictCalendars or scanning the QR code.

GRADE LEVEL UPDATES*

Grades K-5



Bus routes will be assigned by Palmer Bus Service for eligible students who live more than **0.5 miles** from their assigned school in August. An **opt-out** form is available to reduce route costs.



Before/after school and non-school day care will be available through Shakopee Community Education. Registration opens mid-to-late April.



Pearson Early Learning Center and Tokata Learning Center families will receive targeted communication on school year programming.

Grades 6-8



Bus routes will be assigned by Palmer Bus Service for eligible students who live more than **1 mile** from their assigned school in August. An **opt-out** form is available to reduce route costs.



First Day - September 1:

- **6th Grade**, In-Person, East/West Middle School.
- **Grades 7-8**, Online/Asynchronous Day via Canvas. Students in Grades 7-8 will report to their assigned middle school in-person on Wednesday, September 2.

Grades 9-12



NEW: Transportation/bus opt-in required for eligible students in Grades 9–12 who live more than **1.5 mile** from Shakopee High School. Students may select morning and afternoon transportation or opt-in for only one via Infinite Campus starting March 2, 2026. Students with an IEP will continue to work with their case manager.



First Day - September 1:

- **9th Grade**, In-Person, Shakopee High School.
- **Grades 10-12**, Online/Asynchronous Day via Canvas. Students in Grades 10-12 will report to Shakopee High School in-person on Wednesday, September 2.

SCHOOL START/END TIMES FALL 2026

To the right are adjusted school start and end times beginning in the 2026-27 school year to accommodate the changes to the student learning day included in the approved Teacher Collective Bargaining Agreement. Times in red are new. Before- and after-school activities and transportation will be automatically adjusted.



SCHOOL

Shakopee High School
TLC
West Middle School
East Middle School
Red Oak Elementary
Sweeney Elementary
Jackson Elementary
Sun Path Elementary
Eagle Creek Elementary
Pearson Early Learning Center

2026-27 BELL TIMES

8:15AM-3:05PM
8:20AM-3:00PM
7:40AM-2:30PM
7:40AM-2:30PM
9:00AM-3:50PM
9:00AM-3:50PM
9:00AM-3:50PM
9:00AM-3:50PM
8:15AM-3:05PM
9:05AM-3:05PM



Be on the lookout for more information!

