

CPS 2025 – 2026 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

AUGUST

20-21 New Staff Orientation
 25 No School Staff Orientation
26 Grades 1 – 9 ONLY
Kindergarten Orientation
27 All Students
 29 No School

AUGUST 2025						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					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						

AUGUST Student Days: 3

SEPTEMBER 2025

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	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				

SEPTEMBER
 1 No School (Labor Day)
 17 Half Day (Professional Day)

SEPTEMBER Student Days: 21

OCTOBER

13 No School (Columbus Day)
 23 Half Day (Professional Day)

OCTOBER 2025						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			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 Student Days: 22

NOVEMBER 2025

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
						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						

NOVEMBER
 4 No School (Full Prof. Day)
 11 No School (Veteran's Day)
 19 Half Day ELEM. & MS ONLY
 26 Early Release (Thanksgiving Recess)
 27 No School (Thanksgiving)
 28 No School

NOVEMBER Student Days: 16

DECEMBER

11 Half Day (Professional Day)
 24 December Recess

DECEMBER 2025						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	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			

DECEMBER Student Days: 17

JANUARY 2026

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				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

JANUARY
 5 School Re-opens
 13 Half Day (Professional Day)
 19 No School (Martin Luther King Day)

JANUARY Student Days: 19

FEBRUARY 2026

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	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			

FEBRUARY
 5 Half-Day (Professional Day)
 16 February Recess
 23 School Re-opens

FEBRUARY Student Days: 15

MARCH 2026

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	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			

MARCH
 11 Half Day (Professional Day)

MARCH Student Days: 22

APRIL 2026

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			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		

APRIL
 7 Half-Day (Professional Day)
 20 April Recess
 27 School Re-opens

APRIL Student Days: 17

MAY 2026

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					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
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MAY
 25 No School (Memorial Day)

MAY Student Days: 20

JUNE

19 Juneteenth
 18 Last Day for Students (Half Day)
 22 Last Day for Staff (Half Day)

JUNE 2026						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	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				

JUNE Student Days: 14

Total Student Days: 186

Additional Staff Days: 2.5
 (Total Includes Six Provisional Snow Days)

- Professional Development
- Last day Students June 18
Last day Staff June 22

Major Religious & Cultural Holidays

Rosh Hashanah*	September 22 - 24, 2025
Yom Kippur*	October 1 - 2, 2025
Sukkot*	October 6 - 13, 2025
Diwali	October 20, 2025
Chanukah*	December 14, 2025 - Dec 22, 2025
Christmas	December 25, 2025
Kwanzaa	December 26, 2025 - Jan. 1, 2026
Chinese New Year	February 17, 2026
Ramadan	February 17 - March 18, 2026
Eid al-Fitr	March 19 - 20, 2026
Passover*	April 1 - 9, 2026
Good Friday	April 3, 2026
Easter	April 5, 2026
Orthodox Easter	April 12, 2026
Shavuot*	May 21 - 23, 2026
Eid al-Adha	May 26 - 27, 2026

**All Jewish holidays begin at sundown on the evening prior to the day of the holiday.*

The following policies apply to students celebrating the holidays noted above:

- Homework and projects will not be assigned to students observing religious holidays. Teachers shall not schedule tests for those students celebrating observed religious holidays. Students will not be expected to complete daily homework assigned the evening before, or the day of the religious holiday. Assignments and tests should be made up in a time span that is reasonable to both students and teachers (SC Policy 6314.01).
- Observance of a religious holiday shall be viewed as valid justification for student absence, late homework/project submission and delayed testing. It is the responsibility of the student’s parent/guardian to notify the principal/dean/teacher of these dates at the beginning of the school year. In addition, the student shall notify the teacher(s) of the observance date no later than two weeks in advance or as soon as practical (SC Policy 6314.01).

Scheduled Staff Professional Development Days

Wednesday September 17, 2025	Student Half Day
Thursday October 23, 2025	Student Half Day
Tuesday November 4, 2025	Student NO School Day
Thursday December 11, 2025	Student Half Day
Tuesday January 13, 2026	Student Half Day
Thursday February 5, 2026	Student Half Day
Wednesday March 11, 2026	Student Half Day
Tuesday April 7, 2026	Student Half Day

Wednesday November 19, 2025
Student Half Day – Elementary and Middle Schools Only

Starting and Dismissal Schedule

School	Start	Dismissal	Early Dismissal
Chelmsford High	7:19 a.m.	1:52 p.m.	10:25 a.m.
McCarthy Middle	8:10 a.m.	2:30 p.m.	11:00 a.m.
Parker Middle	8:20 a.m.	2:40 p.m.	11:10 a.m.
Byam Elem.	8:59 a.m.	3:18 p.m.	11:45 a.m.
Center Elem.	8:59 a.m.	3:18 p.m.	11:45 a.m.
Harrington Elem.	8:59 a.m.	3:18 p.m.	11:45 a.m.
South Row Elem.	8:59 a.m.	3:18 p.m.	11:45 a.m.
CHIPS Program	8:15 a.m.	10:45 a.m.	AM Session
	12:00 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	PM Session