



THE PRAIRIE SCHOOL

2026-2027 Important Family Dates

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There is a strong correlation between attendance and academic success. Absences for anything other than illness or family emergencies hurt your child's growth, their classmates' growth, and place a significant unnecessary burden on their teachers. Please schedule family vacations and appointments on days when Prairie is not in session.

August Tuesday (18): 8:45AM Arrival, 9:15AM Departure for Upper School to Camp Manito-wish
Tuesday (18): First Day of School for Early School, Primary School, and Middle School
Friday (21): Upper School returns from Camp Manito-wish
Monday (24): No Classes for Upper School

September Monday (7): Labor Day (School Closed)
Monday (21): Yom Kippur (School Closed) Full Faculty PD Day

October Friday (9): Grandparents' Day, School Dismissed at Noon
Saturday-Tuesday (10-13): Long Fall Weekend (School Closed)
Thursday (29): ½ Day, School Dismissed at Noon, Afternoon Faculty PD Day
Friday (30): Faculty Comment Writing Day (School Closed)

November Thursday (5): All-School Parent Conferences begin at 4:00PM
Friday (6): All-School Parent Conferences (School Closed)
Saturday (21) - Sunday (29): Thanksgiving Break (School Closed)
Monday (30): All-School Classes Resume

December Friday, Monday-Tuesday (18, 21, 22): US Exams
Tuesday (22): ½ Day; Last Day of Semester 1
Wednesday (23) - Monday, January (4): Winter Break (School Closed)

January Tuesday (5): 2nd Semester Classes Begin
Tuesday-Thursday (5-14): Upper School J-Term (use of Tuesday (5) to be determined)
Friday (15): No Classes for Upper School (Classes Resume Tuesday, 19)
Monday (18): Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (School Closed)

February Friday (5): School Closed; Tentative Faculty PD Day
Saturday-Tuesday (6-9): Long Winter Weekend (School Closed)
Wednesday (10): All-School Classes Resume
Friday (26): Faculty Writing Day (School Closed)

March Thursday (4): All-School Parent Conferences begin at 4:00PM
Friday (5): All-School Parent Conferences (School Closed)
Wednesday (10): Eid al-Fitr (School Closed); Faculty Professional Development Day
Saturday (20) - Sunday, April (4): Spring Break (School Closed)

April Monday (5): All-School Classes Resume
Friday (30): Faculty Professional Development Day (School Closed)

May Friday (28): No Classes (School Closed); Faculty PD Day
12th Grade Commencement at 2:00PM
Monday (31): Memorial Day (School Closed)

June Wednesday-Friday (2-4): Upper School Exams
Thursday (3): 8th Grade Commencement at 3:30 PM
Thursday (3): 5th Grade Commencement at 6:00PM
Friday (4): Last Day of Classes; ½ Day