THE PRAIRIE SCHOOL

2025-2026 Important Family Dates

As of 03/04/2026

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 (19): 8:45 AM Arrival, 9:15 AM Departure for Upper School to Camp Manito-wish Tuesday (19): First Day of School for Early School, Primary School, and Middle School Friday (22): Upper School returns from Camp Manito-wish Monday (25): No Classes for Upper School
September	Monday (1): Labor Day (School Closed)
October	Thursday (2): Yom Kippur (School Closed); Faculty PD Day Friday (10): Grandparents' Day, School Dismissed at Noon Saturday-Tuesday (11-14): Long Fall Weekend (School Closed) Thursday (30): ½ Day, School Dismissed at Noon, Afternoon Faculty PD Day Friday (31): Faculty Writing Day (School Closed)
November	Thursday (6): All-School Parent Conferences begin at 4:00 PM Friday (7): All-School Parent Conferences (School Closed) Saturday (22) - Sunday (30): Thanksgiving Break (School Closed)
December	Monday (1): All-School Classes Resume Wednesday-Friday (17-19): US Exams Friday (19): ½ Day; Last Day of Semester 1 Saturday (20) - Sunday, January (4): Winter Break (School Closed)
January	Monday (5): Classes Begin for Early School - 8th Grade Tuesday (6) - Thursday (15): Upper School J-Term Friday (16): No Classes for Upper School Monday (19): Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (School Closed) Tuesday (20): Upper School 2nd Semester Classes Begin
February	Friday (6) - Tuesday (10): Long Winter Weekend (School Closed) Wednesday (11): All-School Classes Resume Friday (27): Faculty Writing Day (School Closed)
March	Thursday (5): All-School Parent Conferences begin at 4:00 PM Friday (6): All-School Parent Conferences (School Closed) Friday (20): Eid (School Closed), Faculty PD Day Saturday (21) - April (5) Spring Break (School Closed)
April	Monday (6): All-School Classes Resume
May	Thursday (21): Senior Send-off Friday (22): No Classes (School Closed); Faculty PD Day 12th Grade Commencement at 2:00 PM Monday (25): Memorial Day (School Closed)
June	Thursday (4): 8th Grade Commencement at 5:00 PM Thursday (4): 5th Grade Commencement at 6:00 PM Friday (5): Last Day of Classes; ½ Day