

School Schedule Information 2025-2026



- Delayed Openings
 - Cancellations
 - School Calendars
- School Operating Hours
 - Holidays

and
- Other Special Dates

Inclement Weather Days, Delayed Openings and Cancellations

Elementary Schools and Early Childhood Centers 2025-2026

PREPARATION

In preparation for the upcoming school year, please review the following information with your staff, students, and parents. It is also suggested that you share this information in newsletters and various other ways throughout the school year.

DELAYED OPENINGS

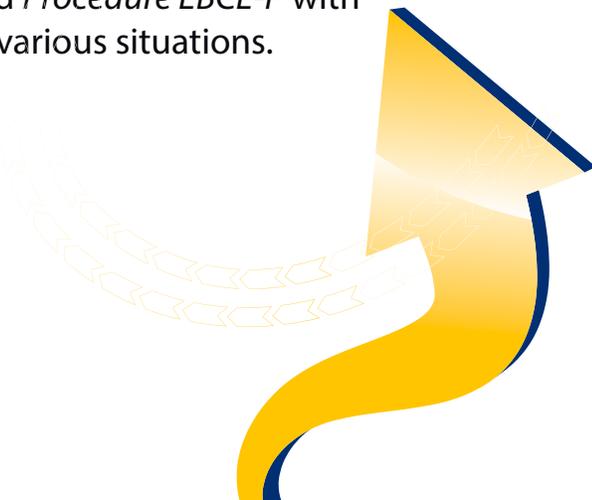
- **MORNING Half-day PEEP classes** will not be held when there is a delayed opening.
- **AFTERNOON classes** *WILL* be held if the opening of school is delayed.

NOTIFICATION OF DELAYED OPENINGS & CANCELLATIONS

When it is determined that schools will be closed or delayed in opening, Public Information & Community Involvement will do everything possible to make the announcements as early as possible. Transportation personnel drive the streets starting at about 3 a.m. to determine safety conditions. NNPS will try to have a decision by 6 a.m. so that local television and radio stations can make the announcement. Please remember that a closing/delayed opening decision cannot be made on the basis of a forecast alone – conditions must be evaluated.

For the most reliable and timely information, please check the Information Line (**757-283-7810**), the NNPS website at nnschools.org, or NNPS-TV on Cox 47 and Verizon FiOs 17. NNPS families and staff will also receive notification through the telephone communication system.

It is important that you review the attached School Board *Procedure EBCE-P* with all staff members so that they know what to do in these various situations.



Procedures: EBCE-P



School and Facility Closings and Delayed Openings

The following procedures apply to the emergency closing or delayed opening of schools and for employee attendance during these modified school division operations. These procedures will be reviewed and updated as needed.

Emergency Closings and Delayed Openings

The school division strives to make a decision to close early, open late, or cancel school as early as conditions allow, so that employees, students, and parents can be notified as soon as possible.

If it is necessary to dismiss school early because of emergency weather conditions, the normal order of dismissal will prevail. Each principal will clearly explain the early dismissal procedures to parents, to include the importance of keeping emergency numbers up to date, and urge that they make provision for the care of their child in case they are not home when the child arrives.

TEN- AND ELEVEN-MONTH PERSONNEL

Delayed Opening

1. The reporting time for ten- and eleven-month employees (except cafeteria and key transportation personnel) is adjusted by the same number of hours as the student reporting time.
2. Cafeteria personnel report as soon as possible in order to prepare lunch. Breakfast is not served on days of delayed openings.
3. Morning half-day PEEP classes will **NOT** be held when there is a delayed opening.
4. Afternoon half-day PEEP classes **WILL** be held when there is a delayed opening.

School Cancellation

1. If school is canceled, all schools shall be closed for the day.
2. Ten- and eleven-month employees do not report to work unless the superintendent deems it necessary to use the day as a make-up teacher work day in order to avoid weekend or holiday make-up workdays.

Early Dismissal

Unless otherwise directed, the dismissal time for ten- and eleven-month employees (except cafeteria, transportation, custodial, clerical, and administrative personnel) is adjusted by the same number of hours that students are dismissed early.

Procedures: EBCE-P

School and Facility Closings and Delayed Openings



Twelve-Month Personnel

Delayed Opening

All twelve-month personnel (other than custodial, transportation, and plant services personnel) are to report to work as soon as reasonably possible given the conditions at the time.

School Cancellation

1. When schools are closed, all offices are open unless the closing of offices is specified.
2. All twelve-month employees report unless otherwise specified.

Early Dismissal

In the event of early dismissal of students, twelve-month employees and all cafeteria, custodial, transportation, clerical and administrative personnel will work their regular schedule unless otherwise notified by their supervisor.

Custodial, Transportation and Plant Services Personnel

Twelve-month day custodial, transportation, and plant services personnel will report at the regular time if other twelve-month day personnel are to report at any time during the day. They then will be provided appropriate compensatory time based on the number of reduced hours for other twelve-month day employees.

Twelve-month night custodians, transportation night monitors, and plant services night shift employees will report at noon if students are not in school and at their regular time if students are in school.

Emergency Closing of a Single School or a Small Group of Schools

1. The superintendent or designee will make the decision to approve the closing of an individual school or a small group of schools, which may be necessitated due to local emergency conditions. Executive directors and principals will contact Transportation to make the necessary arrangements to take the students home. Principals of elementary schools shall make every effort to contact parents and shall make arrangements to provide for children who do not have emergency care.

Schools should indicate the emergency closing location or pairing of schools for emergencies in their emergency operations plans (i.e. emergency that occurs en route to school).

2. School employees will be assigned as needed to facilitate the alternate arrangements.

ACHIEVABLE DREAM SCHOOL CALENDAR

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July 2025						
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4 Independence Day Observance
11, 18, 25 Summer Hours

August 2025						
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1, 8 Summer Hours
4 New Teachers Report
14 All Teachers & Teacher Assts. Report
25 All Students Report
29 Schools Closed (as required by State Code), Twelve-Month Employees Report

September 2025						
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1 Labor Day - Schools and Offices Closed

October 2025						
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10 Schools Closed for Students; Half Day Teacher PD in morning and family conferences in the afternoon (and held throughout the week)

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4 E-Commute Teacher Workday (Election Day) - Students do not report
26 Schools Closed; Half Day for Twelve-Month Employees
27-28 Thanksgiving Observance
Schools & Offices Closed

December 2025						
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22-31 Winter Break - Schools and Offices Closed
(12 month employees to use 1/2 day leave each day, Dec. 29-31)

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1-2 Winter Break - Schools and Offices Closed
5 Schools Closed for Students; Full Teacher Planning Day
6 Schools Reopen
19 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
21-23 Exam Dates - 1/2 day high schools
26 Support Staff Workday and E-Commute Teacher Workday - Students do not report
27 Regional Prof. Development Day
28 Second Semester begins

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16 Presidents' Day - Schools Closed, Twelve-Month Employees Report

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6-10 Spring Break (annually 1st week of April for Peninsula school divisions) - Schools & Offices Closed (12 month employees to use 1/2 day leave each day, April 6-8)
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25 Memorial Day Observance - Schools and Offices Closed

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SCHEDULE A
HIGH SCHOOLS

Denbigh, Heritage, Menchville, Warwick, Woodside
 Student Hours Office Hours Half-Day Dismissal: 10:30
 7:10 a.m. - 1:55 p.m. 6:50 a.m. - 3:35 p.m. Early Dismissal: 12:25

MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Ella Fitzgerald, Huntington
 Student Hours Office Hours Half-Day Dismissal: 10:30
 7:10 a.m. - 1:55 p.m. 6:50 a.m. - 3:35 p.m. Early Dismissal: 12:25

MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Crittenden, Gildersleeve, Hines, Passage, Booker T. Washington
 Student Hours Office Hours Half-Day Dismissal: 11:30
 8:10 a.m. - 2:55 p.m. 7:30 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. Early Dismissal: 1:25

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Gen. Stanford (& PreK), Jenkins, McIntosh, Stoney Run
 Student Hours Office Hours Half-Day Dismissal: 11:30
 8:20 a.m. - 2:55 p.m. 7:30 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. Early Dismissal: 1:25

** Schools with P.E.E.P. classes on Schedule B*

P.E.E.P. CLASSES - Schedule B

A.M. Session	P.M. Session
Student Hours	Student Hours
8:20 a.m. - 11:35 a.m.	11:40 a.m. - 2:55 p.m.
Half-Day Dismissal: 9:55	Half-Day Dismissal: No P.M. Classes
Early Dismissal: 10:50	Early Dismissal: 10:55 - 1:25

** If schools are delayed due to weather, A.M. session PEEP classes will be cancelled.*

SCHEDULE B
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Carver*	Hilton	Richneck
Discovery STEM Acad.*	Katherine Johnson*	Riverside
Charles	Kiln Creek	Sanford
Deer Park	Knollwood Meadows*	Saunders
Dutrow	Newsome Park	Sedgefield
Greenwood	Palmer	Yates
Hiddenwood		

Student Hours Office Hours Half-Day Dismissal: 12:30
 9:20 a.m. - 3:55 p.m. 8:30 a.m. - 4:45 p.m. Early Dismissal: 2:25

** Schools with P.E.E.P. classes on Schedule C*

P.E.E.P. CLASSES - Schedule C

A.M. Session	P.M. Session
Student Hours	Student Hours
9:20 a.m. - 12:35 p.m.	12:40 p.m. - 3:55 p.m.
Half-Day Dismissal: 10:55	Half-Day Dismissal: No P.M. Classes
Early Dismissal: 11:50	Early Dismissal: 11:55 - 2:25

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SCHEDULE C
ELEMENTARY: Grades K-5

Office Hours: 7:45 a.m. - 5:15 p.m.
 Grades K-2
 Student Hours: 9:20 a.m. - 3:55 p.m.
 Half-Day Dismissal: 12:30
 Early Dismissal: 2:25
 Grades 3-5
 Student Hours: 8:20 a.m. - 4:35 p.m.
 Half-Day Dismissal: 11:50
 Early Dismissal: 1:25

MIDDLE & HIGH: Grades 6-12

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.
 Grades 6-10
 Student Hours: 8:20 a.m. - 4:35 p.m.
 Half-Day Dismissal: 11:50
 Early Dismissal: 1:25
 Grades 11-12
 Student Hours: 8:20 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 Half-Day Dismissal: 11:50
 Early Dismissal: 1:25

AN ACHIEVABLE DREAM
Denbigh ECC * & Watkins ECC *

Office Hours: 8:45 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Student Hours: 9:40 a.m. - 3:55 p.m.
 Half-Day Dismissal: 12:55
 Early Dismissal: 2:25

** School with P.E.E.P. classes*

P.E.E.P. CLASSES - Denbigh & Watkins ECC

A.M. Session
 Student Hours: 9:50 a.m. - 12:50 p.m.
 Half-Day Dismissal: 11:20
 Early Dismissal: 12:05

** If schools are delayed due to weather, A.M. session PEEP classes will be cancelled.*

P.M. Session
 Student Hours: 12:55 p.m. - 3:55 p.m.
 Half-Day Dismissal: No P.M. Classes
 Early Dismissal: 12:10 - 2:25

Marshall ELC *

Office Hours: 7:00 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.
 Student Hours: 7:35 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.
 Half-Day Dismissal: 10:50
 Early Dismissal: 12:20

** School with P.E.E.P. classes*

P.E.E.P. CLASSES - Marshall ELC

A.M. Session
 Student Hours: 7:35 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
 Half-Day Dismissal: 9:15
 Early Dismissal: 10:00

** If schools are delayed due to weather, A.M. session PEEP classes will be cancelled.*

P.M. Session
 Student Hours: 10:50 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.
 Half-Day Dismissal: No P.M. Classes
 Early Dismissal: 10:05 - 12:20

EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTERS



Important Dates to Plan Your School Year

Report Card Marking Periods

November 3: 9 Weeks Period 1 ends
November 12: 9 Weeks Period 1 Reports issued
January 23: 9 Weeks Period 2 ends
February 3: 9 Weeks Period 2 Reports issued
April 3: 9 Weeks Period 3 ends
April 21: 9 Weeks Period 3 Reports issued
June 10: 9 Weeks Period 4 ends

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**Jewish observances begin at sundown on the preceding day*

Stay Informed - Inclement Weather & Emergency Closings

When the school schedule changes unexpectedly because of bad weather or for other reasons, there are many ways to stay informed. For information on school closings, delayed openings, cancellations, postponements, early closings and student and employee reporting times, watch NNPS TV on Cox 47 and Verizon FiOs 17 and check the NNPS web site at nnschools.org, or call the following:

NNPS Information Line: 757-283-7810
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August 2025

- 19 School Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 25 All students report - 1st Day of School
- 29 Schools closed (as required by State Code), offices open

September 2025

- 1 Labor Day (schools & offices closed)
- 1-5 National Payroll Week
- 8 International Literacy Day
- 8-12 National Arts in Education Week
- 11 Patriot Day
- 15 Hispanic Heritage Month begins (Sept. 15 - Oct. 15)
- 16 National IT Professionals Day
- 16 School Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 22 First Day of Autumn
- 23 Rosh Hashanah (begins at sunset, Sept. 22)

October 2025

- 2 Yom Kippur (begins at sunset, Oct. 1)
- 5-11 Fire Prevention Week
- 6 Child Health Day
- 7 Sukkot (begins at sunset, Oct. 6)
- 10 Schools closed for students, 1/2 day teacher PD in the morning and family conferences in the afternoon (and held throughout the week)
- 13-17 National School Lunch Week
- 14 Columbus/Indigenous Peoples' Day
- 14 School Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 19-25 America's Safe Schools Week
- 20-24 National School Bus Safety Week
- 23-31 Red Ribbon Week
- 25 Make a Difference Day
- 31 [Magnet and Specialty Programs Application Window Opens](#)

*Learning Disabilities Awareness Month
National Bullying Prevention Month
National Principals Month*

November 2025

- 2 Standard Time (clocks move back 1 hour)
- 4 Election Day

November 2025 continued

- 3-7 National School Psychology Week
- 4 E-Commute Teacher Work Day (students do not report)
- 8 National STEM and STEAM Day
- 11 Veterans Day
- 17-21 American Education Week
- 18 School Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 20 National Parental Involvement Day
- 21 Substitute Educators Day
- 26 Schools closed; offices closed 1/2 day
- 27-28 Thanksgiving Holiday (schools & offices closed)

*Family Engagement in Schools Month
Native American Heritage Month*

December 2025

- 8-14 Computer Science Education Week
- 15 Hanukkah (begins at sunset, Dec. 14)
- 15 [Magnet and Specialty Programs Application Deadline](#)
- 16 School Board meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 21 First Day of Winter
- 22-31 Winter Break (schools & offices closed; 12 month employees to use 1/2 day leave on each day, Dec. 29, 30, and 31)

January 2026

- 1-2 Winter Break (schools & offices closed)
- 5 Schools closed for students; full teacher planning day
- 6 Schools reopen
- 19 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (schools & offices closed)
- 20 School Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 21-23 Exam Dates (1/2 days for high school students)
- 26 Support Staff Work Day and E-Commute Teacher Work Day (students do not report)
- 27 Regional Professional Development Day (students do not report)
- 28 Second semester begins

Virginia School Principals Appreciation (week in January to be announced by VDOE at a later date)

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2025-2026 Calendar of Events

February 2026

- 2 Groundhog Day
- 2-6 National School Counseling Week
- 6 NNPS Security Officer Appreciation Day
- 15 National School Resource Officer Appreciation Day
- 16 Presidents Day - Schools closed, offices open
- 16-20 School Board Clerk Appreciation Week
- 17 National PTA Founders Day
- 17 School Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 18 Ash Wednesday

Career and Technical Education Month
National Black History Month
Virginia School Board Appreciation Month

March 2026

- 1-7 National Foreign Language Week
- 1-7 National School Social Work Week
- 2 Read Across America
- 2-6 Custodial and Plant Services Week
- 2-6 National School Breakfast Week
- 3 School Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
(Operating Budget Presentation)
- 6 Half day for students; family conferences in the afternoon (and held throughout the week)
- 8 International Women's Day
- 8 Daylight Saving Time (clocks advance 1 hour)
- 10 School Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
(Budget Hearing)
- 17 School Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
(Budget Approval)
- 20 Eid al-Fitr (begins at sunset, March 19)
- 20 First Day of Spring

Middle Level Education Month
Music in Our Schools Month
Social Work Month
Women's History Month
Youth Art Month

April 2026

- 2 International Children's Book Day
- 3 Half day for students; teacher work day in the afternoon
- 6-10 National Assistant Principals Week
- 6-10 Spring Break (schools & offices closed; employees to use 1/2 day leave each day April 6-8)
- 11-17 Week of the Young Child
- 13 Teacher Work Day (students do not report)
- 19-25 Administrative Professionals Week
- 19-25 National Library Week
- 20-24 Public School Volunteer Week
- 21 School Board meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 22 Earth Day
- 24-30 National Student Leadership Week

National Autism Awareness Month
National Occupational Therapy Month
Month of the Military Child
National School Library Month

May 2026

- 1 National School Principals Day
- 1 School Lunch Hero Day
- 1-7 National Physical Education & Sports Week
- 3-10 National Music Week
- 4-8 National Teacher Appreciation Week
- 4-15 Advanced Placement (AP) Exams
- 6 National School Nurse Day
- 8 School Communicators Day
- 14 Ascension Day
- 18 National Speech Pathologist Day
- 18-22 National Educational Bosses Week
- 19 School Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 22 Half day dismissal for schools
- 22 Shavuot (begins at sunset, May 21)
- 25 Memorial Day (schools & offices closed)

School Nutrition Employee Week (TBD)
National Speech-Language-Hearing Month
National Mental Health Month
National Physical Fitness & Sports Month

2025-2026 Calendar of Events

June 2026

- 2 School Board Special Meeting, 5:00 p.m.
(Personnel Actions)
- 6-7 School Graduations (tentative)
- 5, 8, 9 ECC, ES & MS - early dismissal
HS - 1/2 day dismissal
- 9 Last student day
- 10 Last teacher day
- 16 School Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 19 Juneteenth (offices closed)
- 26 Summer hours begin



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