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Aug 22-26	Induction workdays for licensed staff new to MCPS
Aug 27-29	Workdays/meeting days for licensed staff
Aug 30-Sep 2	Schools closed - Break/Holiday
Sep 3	Workday/meeting day for licensed staff
Sep 4	Schools open
Sep 18	Collaborative planning/Early dismissal Grades K-5
Oct 8	Collaborative planning/Early dismissal Grades K-5
Oct 21-25	Parent/Teacher conference week
Oct 24	DISTRICT-WIDE PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCE DAY Workday for staff - Non-school day for students
Nov 1	Collaborative planning/Early dismissal Grades K-5
Nov 5	Work/Staff dev. day - Non-school day for students
Nov 7	End of grading period Grades K-12
Nov 18	Collaborative planning/Early dismissal Grades K-5
Nov 27-29	Schools closed - Thanksgiving Break
Dec 12	Collaborative planning/Early dismissal Grades K-5
Dec 23-Jan 3	Schools closed - Winter Break
Jan 20	Schools closed - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Jan 29	End of grading period K-12 - End of semester Early Dismissal - *All students 2 1/2 hours early
Jan 30-31	Work/Staff dev. days - Non-school days for students
Feb 13	Collaborative planning/Early dismissal Grades K-5
Feb 17	Schools closed-Virginia Heroes' Day/Presidents' Day
Mar 4	Collaborative planning/Early dismissal Grades K-5
Mar 19	Collaborative planning/Early dismissal Grades K-5
Mar 31-Apr 4	Parent/Teacher conference week
Apr 3	Early dismissal - *All students 2 1/2 hrs early
Apr 8	End of grading period Grades K-12
Apr 17	Early dismissal - *All students 2 1/2 hrs early
Apr 18-21	Schools closed - Spring Break
Apr 30	Collaborative planning/Early dismissal Grades K-5
May 26	Schools closed - Memorial Day
Jun 19	Early dismissal - *All students 2 1/2 hrs early
Jun 20	Early dismissal - *All students 2 1/2 hrs early End of grading period K-12 - LAST SCHOOL DAY
Jun 23-24	Work/Staff development days

- Schools closed - Holidays/Breaks
- Induction workdays for licensed staff new to MCPS
- △ Work/Staff dev. day/non-school day for students
- ☆ Schools open
- ⊛ Collaborative planning/Early dismissal Gr. K-5 (2 1/2 hrs early)
- Parent/Teacher conference week
- ◇ Early dismissal - *All students (2 1/2 hrs early)

— End of 9 week grading period for K-12. Report cards are distributed 5 school days after the end of each 9 week grading period.

2013-2014 School Calendar
Definitions and Explanations
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Student Attendance Days - The General Assembly mandates that the school year must include a minimum of 180 school days per year. The requested length of a school day is at least 5 hours and 30 minutes of instruction or 990 hours of instruction for the school year.

Inclement Weather Make-Up Day Plan - This calendar includes 6 additional days to be used as needed to make up missed school days due to inclement weather or other emergencies. The plan for adjusting the school calendar due to inclement weather is printed below. The school year may be extended if deemed necessary by the School Board.

Banked Time - Instruction in excess of the minimum 5 hour 30 minute day is considered banked time. In Montgomery County, schools accumulate 30 minutes per day (5,400 minutes per year) of banked time. Time associated with scheduled early dismissals, as well as unscheduled early dismissals and delayed openings due to inclement weather, is subtracted from banked time.

The General Assembly allows banked time to be used to make up time lost due to extenuating circumstances such as inclement weather or other emergencies. The Montgomery County School Board believes that learning is enhanced by our slightly longer than required school day and that banked time should only be used as a last resort in making up instructional time.

Teacher Workdays - Days off for students are reserved for teachers in schools for grading exams, preparing grades, developing lesson plans, and for staff development activities.

Parent/Teacher Conference Days - Elementary and Secondary Parent/Teacher Conferences have been scheduled for **October 24, 2013** and **April 3, 2014**. Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled to provide a flexible time frame for teachers to meet in schools with parents to discuss student progress. Schools will have a District Wide Parent/Teacher Conference Day (Schools Closed - Workday for staff) on October 24, 2013 and an Early Dismissal (2 1/2 hours early) for all students on April 3, 2014 to help accommodate these conferences. Schools will remain in session during the conference weeks. Conference times will be arranged by individual schools.

Collaborative Planning/Early Dismissal Days for K-5 Students - Early dismissal days for K-5 students are scheduled to provide collaborative planning time for elementary teachers.

Paid Holidays for Employees - Paid holidays, per current policy, include Independence Day (July 4), Labor Day (September 2), Thanksgiving (November 28-29), Winter Break (December 24, 25, 26 & 31), New Year's Day (January 1), Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (January 20), Virginia Heroes' Day/Presidents' Day (February 17), Spring Break (April 18 & 21), and Memorial Day (May 26).

*The School Board approved November 27, 2013 as a non-workday for all twelve month employees.

Inclement Weather Make-Up Day Plan
If 0 days are missed the last day of school will be on Thu., June 12, 2014.
If 1 day is missed the last day of school will be on Fri., June 13, 2014.
If 2 days are missed the last day of school will be on Mon., June 16, 2014.
If 3 days are missed the last day of school will be on Tue., June 17, 2014.
If 4 days are missed the last day of school will be on Wed., June 18, 2014.
If 5 days are missed the last day of school will be on Thu., June 19, 2014.
If 6 days are missed the last day of school will be on Fri., June 20, 2014.
If more than 6 days are missed, banked time may be used as provided by Sec. 22.1098 of the Code of Virginia.