August

12 Fall Sports begin.
17 New Teacher Onboarding Kickoff.
27–9/3 Opening activities for teachers

September

4 Schools closed for teachers.
7 Labor Day—All Schools & Central Offices closed.
8 Schools open for grades 1–12.
8–9 Conferences for Kindergarten and Full-day and Half-Day Pre-K & ECI students.
10 Conferences for Half-Day Pre-K & ECI students.
10–14 Staggered entrance for Kindergarten and Full-day Prekindergarten.*
11 First day of school for ECI students.*
11/14/15 Staggered entrance for Half-day Prekindergarten.*
15 First day for all Kindergarten and Full-day Prekindergarten.
16 First day for all Half-day Prekindergarten.
19 Rosh Hashanah—See notes under Religious Observances
28 Yom Kippur—All Schools & Central Offices closed.
   See notes under Religious Observances.

October

9 Interims to be sent home by this date.
12 Schools closed for students. Parent/Teacher conferences for elementary, middle, and high schools.
13 Schools closed for elementary and middle school students for Parent/Teacher conferences. Schools open for all high school students.
14 PSAT Administration (Grade 11 only).
21 Professional Development. Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.

November

3 Elections—All Schools & Central Offices closed.
12/13 End of first marking period (45 days). Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI.
14 Winter Sports begin.
16 Beginning of second marking period.
16–20 American Education Week.
24 Report card distribution for students in grades 1–12.
25–27 Thanksgiving Holiday—All Schools & Central Offices Closed.

December

9 Professional Development. Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.
18 Interims to be sent home by this date.
24–1/1 Christmas/Winter Break—All schools closed December 24 through January 1 for students, teachers, and school-based Unit IV employees. School Offices & Central Offices closed December 24, 25, 31, and January 1.

January

1 All Schools & Central Offices closed.
4 Schools open for teachers and students.
18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Commemoration—All Schools & Central Offices closed.
28/29 End of second marking period. (44 days)
   Two-hour early dismissal for all students, teacher workdays. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.
February
1 Schools closed for students. Professional Development day/Workday for elementary and middle school. (Note: may be made a school day for all students. See Inclement Weather section.
2 Beginning of third marking period.
9 Progress Report/Report card distribution for all students.
10 Prekindergarten Application begins.
15 Professional Development. Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for p.m. Prekindergarten and ECI students.
18 Presidents Day—All Schools & Central Offices closed.

March
1 Spring sports begin.
5 Interims to be sent home by this date.
10 Schools closed for students. Parent/Teacher conferences for elementary, middle, and high schools.

April
1–5 Easter/Spring Break—All Schools & Central Offices closed.
6 Registration for Kindergarten begins.
13 I 14 End of third marking period (47 days).
15 Beginning of fourth marking period.
16 Easter Monday (April 5) (Note: Easter Monday is not a scheduled school day between the second and third marking periods)
17 Two-hour early dismissal for all students.
18 End of fourth marking period (46 days).
19 Two-hour early dismissal for all students. Schools closed for all Prekindergarten and ECI.
20 Last day for students.
21 Last day for teachers.

May
3 High School Assessment (HSA) Administration. (Government & Biology)
7 Interims to be sent home by this date.
13 Eid al-Fitr—Schools & Central Offices open. See notes under Religious Observances.
27 Last day for graduating seniors.
28 Spring Conferences for Prekindergarten, Kindergarten, & ECI. Schools closed for those students.
31 Memorial Day—All Schools & Central Offices closed.

June
17 I 18 End of fourth marking period (46 days).
27 First/Last day for students

Inclement Weather and Emergency School Closings
This calendar has two days built in at the end of the school year for emergency closings, making the school year 182 student days and 193 teacher days. If any of the two emergency days are not used, they shall be deducted from the June closing date. If more than two additional makeup days are needed:
- Wednesday, March 10, 2021, will be converted to a school day if a third inclement weather day is needed by this date.
- If more than three additional makeup days are needed or if a makeup day is needed because of inclement weather after March 10, 2021, days will be added to the end of the school year.
- If emergency closings affect the end of any marking period, the calendar will be adjusted and the marking period extended so that both early dismissal days occur at the end of the marking period. This applies to all schools.
- There must be one non-student day between the second and third marking periods.

Religious Observances
In addition to the above, Anne Arundel County Public Schools will operate on a normal schedule on the following days of major religious observance:
- November 14: Diwali (No Moon Day)
- May 13: Eid al-Fitr
- July 20: Eid al-Adha

AACPS tests and examinations (including mandated tests and assessments) shall not be scheduled on any of the above dates. Similarly, AACPS tests and examinations (including mandated tests and assessments) for Evening High School students shall also not be scheduled on the day of or day after a religious observance occurs. There will be no AACPS activities on Saturday, September 19 (Rosh Hashanah).

School Closings Required by Law
- Labor Day (September 7, 2020)
- Thanksgiving (November 26, 2020)
- Christmas/New Year (December 24, 2020, through January 1, 2021)
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday (January 18, 2021)
- Presidents Day (February 15, 2021)
- Good Friday (April 2, 2021)
- Easter Monday (April 5, 2021)
- Memorial Day (May 31, 2021)