

GWINNETT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2008–09 Student Calendar



2008

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LEGEND

1 First and Last Days of School

1 Student Holiday

1 Snow Make-up Day or Student Holiday

1 Early Release Days (Grades K–8)

— HS Final Exams (Grades 9–12)

Early release days are held twice a year in elementary and middle schools to allow for parent-teacher conferences. School is dismissed 2½ hours early.

The calendar includes **two snow make-up days**. If school is cancelled for inclement weather, students will make up days as follows:

First day missed— Make up on March 13;

Second day missed— Make up on May 21.

Unused snow make-up days will be student holidays.

If bad weather causes school to be cancelled or dismissed early, public announcements will be made on GCPS TV, on the school system's web site (www.gwinnett.k12.ga.us), and via metro-Atlanta radio and television stations. Full-day cancellations usually are announced by 6 a.m.

WE'LL KEEP YOU POSTED

Watch **GCPS TV** on these cable network providers:

AT&T Channel 21

Charter Channel 22

Comcast Channel 24 or 26

Visit our web site at www.gwinnett.k12.ga.us.

Sign up for GCPS' e-mail newsletter, **eNews**.

Subscribe to this monthly e-newsletter on the GCPS web site, or check out the most recent issue in the e-news archives.

Attend **School Board meetings**, generally held the second Thursday of each month. (The 2009 schedule will be set in January.)

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See reverse side for more information.

2008–09 STAFF CALENDAR

Note: 180- and 185-day employees follow Student Calendar for holidays. *(See reverse for holidays.)*
See bottom of page for beginning and ending dates for most staff, and holidays for 12-month employees.

July 28–Aug. 1	M–Th	New Teachers Report (Days and times are determined by local schools to equal 1½ days.)
July 30	W	Administrative Staff Meeting at the Instructional Support Center
Aug. 1	F	New Teacher Orientation (Mandatory half-day orientation at the Gwinnett Center, 8:30 a.m.–noon.)
Aug. 4–8	M–F	Required Teacher Pre-Planning/Staff Development [# 1–5] (Note: Tuesday, Aug. 5, morning only, is reserved for required middle and high school staff development at the central level. Wednesday, Aug. 6, morning only, is reserved for required elementary school staff development at the central level.)
Aug. 11	M	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
Sep. 1	M	Labor Day (Systemwide Holiday) {all employees}
Sep. 19	F	End of 1st six weeks (Day 29)
Oct. 10	F	End of 1st nine weeks (Day 44)
Oct. 13	M	Teacher Planning/Staff Development [#6] (Student Holiday)
Oct. 14	T	Begin 2nd nine weeks
Oct. 31	F	End of 2nd six weeks (Day 58)
Nov. 4	T	Election Day (School Holiday) {190-day staff holiday}
Nov. 12 & 13	W & Th	Early Release for Elementary and Middle Schools
Nov. 26–28	W–F	Thanksgiving Break (School Holidays) {190-, 200-, 210-, 220-, and 230-day staff holidays.} Note: Thanksgiving holidays are Nov. 27 and 28 for 240-day and 12-month employees.
Dec. 17 & 18	W & Th	Early Release for High School Exams
Dec. 19	F	Early Release for High School Exams/End of 3rd six weeks, 2nd nine weeks, and 1st semester (Day 89)
Dec. 22–Jan. 1	M–Th	Winter Break (School Holidays) {all employees}
Jan. 2	F	Teacher Planning/Staff Development [#7] (Student Holiday)
Jan. 5	M	Begin 4th six weeks, 3rd nine weeks, and 2nd semester (Day 90)
Jan. 19	M	Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Systemwide Holiday) {all employees}
Feb. 11 & 12	W & Th	Early Release for Elementary and Middle Schools
Feb. 20	F	End of 4th six weeks (Day 123)
March 12	Th	End of 3rd nine weeks (Day 137)
March 13	F	Teacher Planning/Staff Development [#8] (Student Holiday) or Snow Make-Up Day (Priority 1)
March 16	M	Begin 4th nine weeks (Day 138)
April 3	F	End of 5th six weeks (Day 152)
April 6–10	M–F	Spring Break (School Holidays) {190-, 200-, 210-, 220-, 230-, and 240-day staff holidays.}
May 18 & 19	M & T	Early Release for High School Exams
May 20	W	Early Release for High School Exams/ LAST DAY OF SCHOOL (Day 180)
May 21	Th	Teacher Post-Planning/Staff Development [#9] or Snow Make-up Day (Priority 2)
May 22	F	Teacher Post-Planning/Staff Development [#10] (If Snow Make-up Days 1 and/or 2 are needed, post-planning days would be shifted back that number of days.)
May 25	M	Memorial Day (Systemwide Holiday) {all employees}

Snow Make-up Days: If school is cancelled for inclement weather, the days will be made up as follows: First day missed, makeup on March 13; and second day missed, makeup on May 21. Snow make-up days not used will be student holidays. If the second snow make-up day is used, post-planning days would shift accordingly.

Required Teacher Planning/Staff Development Days: Aug. 4–8, Oct. 13, Jan. 2, March 13, and May 21 and 22.



12-Month Employee Holidays for 2008–09

July 4	Independence Day
Sept. 1	Labor Day
Nov. 27 & 28	Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 22–31	Winter Break
Jan. 1	New Year's Day
Jan. 19	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
April 10	Spring Holiday
May 25	Memorial Day

Beginning and Ending Dates for Staff for 2008–09

180-day employees	8-11-08 to 5-20-09
185-day employees	8-4-08 to 5-20-09
190-day employees	8-4-08 to 5-22-09
200-day employees	7-28-08 to 5-29-09
210-day employees	7-28-08 to 6-12-09
220-day employees— ES and MS Admin. Assist.	7-14-08 to 6-12-09
All other 220-day staff	7-28-08 to 6-26-09
230-day employees	7-14-08 to 6-26-09
240-day employees	7-1-08 to 6-29-09
12-month employees	7-1-08 to 6-30-09