

Growing By Leaps and Bounds!

MARTHA JONES SCHOOL - WESTWOOD, MA

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Martha Jones Families,

I hope you enjoyed Passover and the Easter holidays. Ramadan continues until Friday, April 21. The final evening of Ramadan consists of a celebration called **Eid al-Fitr**, when the traditional month-long fast is ended with a feast. We wish our families a wonderful celebration.

We have concluded our MCAS for ELA. All of our make-ups have been completed. Our students did well, persevering and taking their time. Our next round of MCAS Math (gr. 3-5) and Science (gr. 5) comes in May. I will send out a reminder closer to the dates.

Today we all headed out for spring break. I hope you have a wonderful vacation. I am particularly excited because my son is getting married at the end of the vacation. I hope you and your families rest, recharge and enjoy the time off.

Happy Vacation,
Donna

Donna Olson
Interim Principal
Martha Jones School

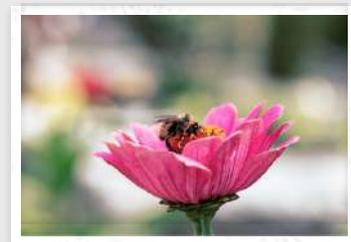
EARTH DAY 2023

For over 50 years, Earth Day has been celebrated across the country and globe through mobilization for environmental causes. But there was once a time when Americans were unaware of and oblivious to the impacts their consumption had on our Earth.

The Earth Day 2023 theme is 'Invest in Our Planet'. This year's theme is designed to persuade businesses, governments and citizens around the world of the need to invest in our planet to improve our environment and give our descendants a better and safer future.

Click the link for information about Earth Day.

<https://www.earthday.org/earth-day-2023/>



 **COMING UP!**

IMPORTANT DATES

April 15-23 Spring Vacation

April 21 Eid al Fitr

April 22 Earth Day

Apr. 26 Art Show;Administrative Professionals Day

April 27 Peter Reynolds: K-2, 3-5

April 28 TFAC

May 2 - Asian/Pacific Islander Heritage Month - Traditions of Chinese Acrobatics 1:30; Grade 3 Enrichment- Pierce Museum, Colonial Trades; School Council 3:30

May 3 National Walk to School Day 8:15-8:45am

May 5 - All School Meeting 2:20 (Staff/students); PTO Movie Night

May 8-12 Teacher Appreciation Week

May 9 & 11 MCAS Math 3-5

May 10 Early Release Day

May 15- Welcoming Schools 6:00pm Zoom

May 16 - Gr 3 Enrichment - Engineering and Design

May 17 Gr 3 Recorder Concert combined practice in the cafeteria/stage 2:30-3:00; Grade 4 Field Trip Moose Hill

May 17 & 18 MCAS Science Gr 5

May 18 Gr 1 & 2 Enrichment - Helen Keller; Gr 3 Lane Fisher School Visit 8:50-11:10AM

May 21 Gr 3 Recorder Concert with parents invited 2:15-2:45

May 23 Body Safety Theater Grade 3 - 9-9:45AM; Kindergarten Parent Night 6:30PM

May 24 Early Release Day; Kindergarten Open House

May 25 STEM Fair 6:00-7:30 PM

May 26 3 Luskin Fisher School Visit 8:50-11:10AM

May 31 Gr 3 Recorder Concert 2:15; Gr 2 Enrichment Animal Adaptations; Gr 4 Enrichment - Sound Waves

June 1 Grade 3 Field Trip - Plymouth Plantations

June 2 Field Day; rain date June 9th

June 5 & 8 Grade 5 Water Conservation Program

June 6 Gr 5 Hale Reservation Field Trip

June 7 Early Release Day; Grade 5 PTO Activity 1-3PM; All Grade 5 Band Concert WHS 5:30 meeting 7:00pm concert

June 8 Grade 4 Music Concert; School Committee 7:00pm

June 13 Wheels on the Bus WHS Little Theater 6:00pm

June 14 Last All School Meeting 2:20 (Staff and Students)

June 15 Gr 5 Visit to Thurston Middle School

June 16 Gr 5 Moving Up Ceremony 10:00AM

IMPORTANT & NOTEWORTHY SCHOOL AND DISTRICT NEWS

A few reminders as we head into Spring

TALENT FOR A CAUSE

On Friday, April 28th at 6:30, 50 third, fourth and fifth graders will be performing on stage to raise money for the Westwood Community Chest. All MJ families are welcome to attend. We will be collecting donations at the door. It is a fun night of singing, dancing and comedy. You don't want to miss it!

Cards and Small Toys

Pokeman/other cards and small toys are not allowed in the lunchroom during lunchtime. If your children choose to bring cards and toys to school, please know it is at their own risk. We cannot be responsible for lost or stolen cards or toys. These issues distract and detract from the educational process. Valuable educator time cannot be spent solving such matters. Thank you for your understanding. Please review this information with your students.

Water Bottles

It is helpful for students to have their own refillable water bottle, as the days get hotter we like to keep them hydrated. Refillable water stations are available in the cafe and hallway. Please be sure to label your child's water bottle with his/her name. This is true for sweatshirts, coats, etc. The mornings are chilly, but by recess there are coats all over the playground and lost and found fills up quickly. Please label all clothing so it gets back to your child and not donated to charity.

Attire

As it gets warmer, please ensure the students wear appropriate attire to school. Flip flops, in particular, are dangerous on the stairs and are not allowed for running games or climbing the structure. If your student does wear shoes that could prove dangerous at recess, please ensure your child brings sneakers or something safer to change into at that time. We want our students to have fun and not suffer an injury.

Class Placement

This week you received a letter outlining the parent input process regarding class placement if you are interested in submitting information about students entering grades K-5. This process does not pertain to those students entering Thurston Middle School. Many parents/caregivers do not find it necessary to submit a letter/email as our staff knows our students well and we try very hard to create balanced classrooms. Here is a review if you missed that email.

In May, teachers, special educators, specialists, the school psychologist, and I will begin the process of class placement for the 2023-2024 school year. We review information about each child's academic, social, and personal characteristics and use that information when making placement decisions. Our primary goal is to develop well-balanced classrooms and assign each child to a classroom in which he or she can develop academically and socially. I am confident that all of our teachers provide students with wonderful learning opportunities. If you have specific information about your child's learning needs that you would like us to consider during the process, please email me that information **no later than April 25th**. I will be away next week but will acknowledge your letters upon my return.

Only information provided to me, in writing, will be considered (please note "Placement" in the email subject). Please understand that "considered" does not always mean honored. There are times we simply cannot grant requests that compromise the make up of a classroom.

Conversations with teachers during conferences, requests from previous years, and information from prior conversations are difficult to keep track of and not considered in the placement process. Please note that letters and emails are not kept from previous years since children change and grow and we make decisions based on current information. I will copy all emails I receive and distribute them to the placement team members for consideration. If you are the parent of multiples (twins, triplets, etc.), you may specify whether you want your children placed in the same class or different classes. Please don't assume we know this information, if you have a preference for together or separate for your twin/triplet placement, let us know.

Westwood Public Schools does not allow parents to request their children's teachers; therefore, requests for specific teachers will not be accepted or considered. Specific requests to have a teacher will not be honored and will result in your child not being placed in the requested class.

Sometimes, parents assume that if one of their children had a teacher, the other child will automatically have that same teacher. This is not true. Previous family placements are not considered in the placement process. All class placements are final and will be sent to families in August. Please contact me if you have any questions about the process.

Can children be dropped off at a different stop on the way home?

Students may only ride their assigned buses. Transporting students to an alternative, yet existing, stop on the student's same route may be granted if done so on a regular basis (example: three days per week). Requests for alternative stops should be made in writing to Scherie Ciarrocchi, Bus Coordinator and sent to Westwood Public Schools, 220 Nahatan Street, Westwood, MA 02090. **Transporting students for play dates, lessons, or other reasons is not permitted.**

See this link for frequently asked questions:

http://www.westwood.k12.ma.us/district/district_administration/business-office/bus-transportation.cfm#11

Mental Health Awareness FYI

DMH Behavioral Health Help Line

The Department of Mental Health launched a new [Behavioral Health Help Line](#) that people can call or text at 833-773-2445. It is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week in more than 200 languages. The help line can help individuals and families navigate the behavioral health system and access treatment, including mobile crisis services. District and school leaders are asked to please share this resource with staff, families, and students, where helpful. For more information, please see the [FAQ](#). Anyone with questions or concerns about the help line can email the help line director at Mio.Tamanaha@mass.gov.

Important Preschool News

Re: Change in Enrollment Practice

Enrollment in the Westwood Integrated Preschool takes place via an annual lottery of interested families. Starting with the enrollment process for the 2023-2024 school year, the District is changing how the lottery is conducted. Specifically, new families who are enrolling in the Preschool for the fall of 2023 will no longer be guaranteed future slots for siblings. (Families who previously enrolled students in the Preschool with the expectation that siblings will be guaranteed a slot will be "grandfathered.") This change in practice reflects feedback we have received from the community and our desire to create more equitable access for all residents we serve. We understand that decisions about preschool involve many factors and want to make sure that families have this information now to assist with future planning.

Please see [WIP Enrollment and Tuition Guide](#) for more information about the Westwood Integrated Preschool.

MCAS SCHEDULE

**WESTWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Elementary MCAS Schedule 2023**

ELA: March 27 - April 28 (2 sessions, grades 3, 4 & 5)
Math: April 24 - May 26 (2 sessions, grades 3, 4 & 5)
STE: April 25 - May 26 (2 sessions, grade 5)

MON. 3/27	TUE. 3/28	WED. 3/29	THU. 3/30	FRI. 3/31
			MJ ELA 3-5	MJ ELA 3-5
MON. 4/3	TUE. 4/4	WED. 4/5	THU. 4/6	FRI. 4/7
MJ ELA Make-up	MJ ELA Make-up			Good Friday (No School)
MON. 4/10	TUE. 4/11	WED. 4/12	THU. 4/13	FRI. 4/14
		Early Release		
MON. 4/17	TUE. 4/18	WED. 4/19	THU. 4/20	FRI. 4/21
School Vacation Week Passover ends 4/23				
MON. 4/24	TUE. 4/25	WED. 4/26	THU. 4/27	FRI. 4/28
		Early Release		
MON. 5/1	TUE. 5/2	WED. 5/3	THU. 5/4	FRI. 5/5
MON. 5/8	TUE. 5/9	WED. 5/10	THU. 5/11	FRI. 5/12
	MJ Math 3-5	Early Release	MJ Math 3-5	MJ Math Make-Up
MON. 5/15	TUE. 5/16	WED. 5/17	THU. 5/18	FRI. 5/19
MJ Math Make-up		MJ STE Gr 5	MJ STE Gr 5	
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MJ STE Make-up	MJ STE Make-up	Early Release		

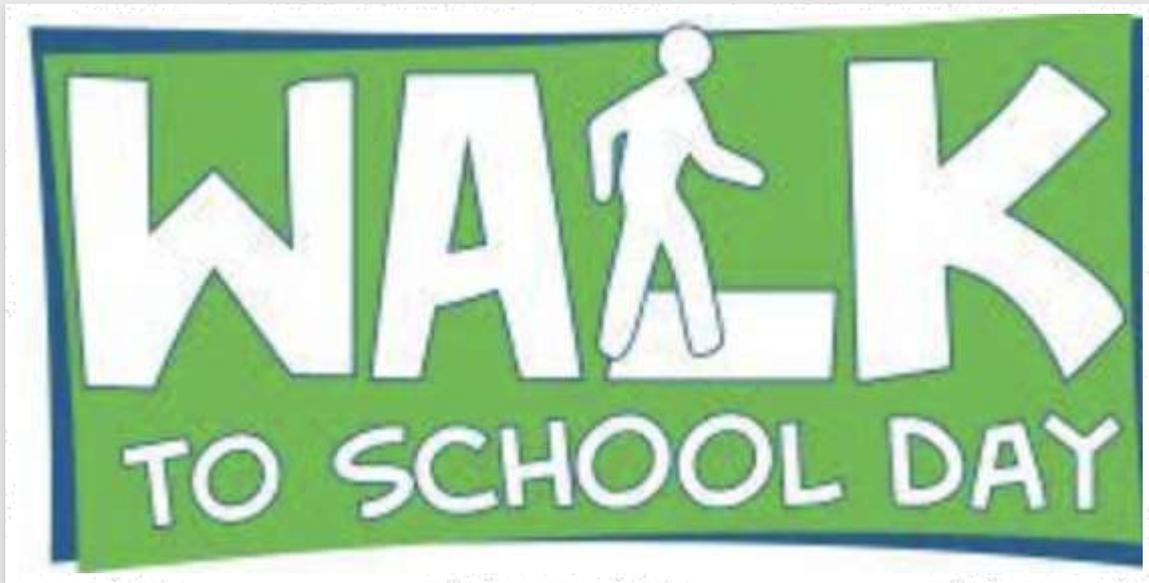
SAVE THE DATE FOR THE ART SHOW - APRIL 26TH



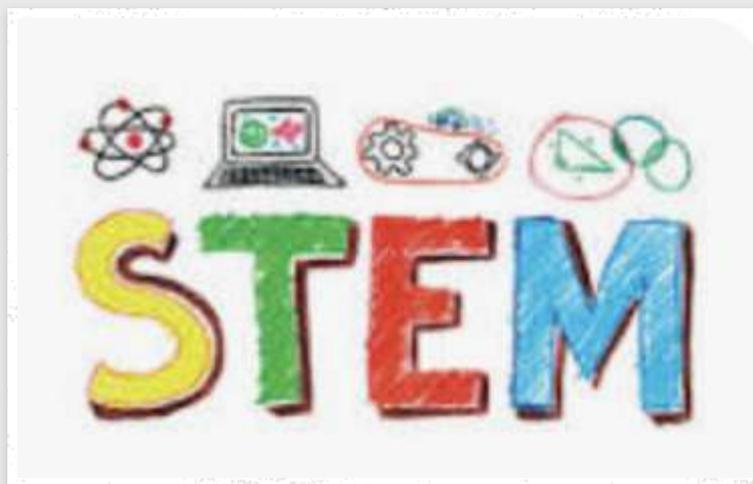
MR. KUKLENTZ, MARTHA JONES' NEW PRINCIPAL WILL BE ATTENDING THE ART SHOW. PLEASE BE SURE TO SAY HELLO!

SAVE THE DATE FOR NATIONAL WALK TO SCHOOL DAY MAY 3RD

[Click the link](#) for details and to sign up to help with Walk to School Day!



SAVE THE DAY FOR THE MARTHA JONES SCHOOL STEM FAIR
2023 - MAY 25TH



The STEM fair is an annual event for students to explore Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math projects and present them to the Martha Jones community. Scientists can work individually or in groups of 2 or 3. Projects are completed outside of school and showcased at the fair. Volunteer judges will engage with the scientists and some grade level awards will be given.

This year we will have demonstrations from Top Secret Science and WHS Robotics! [Click the link to register for the STEM FAIR!](#)

Student Council

The logo consists of a dark red gavel resting on a dark red block, positioned to the left of the word 'Council'. This is enclosed within a yellow laurel wreath. Above the wreath are three yellow stars, and below it are three yellow dots.

APRIL

Student Council Update

The April Student Council has been busy counting up all of the pennies and other coins donated during our March drive to support the victims of the earthquakes in Turkey. Thank you to all who brought in coins for our "pot of gold" in the front lobby. We collected over \$100 in coins!

This month the Student Council theme is Celebrate Our Differences (Be You!). This ties in nicely with Autism Awareness Month. The April representatives decided that this month our Spirit Day would be Career Day. On April 28th all students are invited to dress up as a career they may possibly pursue in the future. We are also asking that the teachers dress as what they would want to do if they weren't teaching....

Finally, the Student Council will be making signs for the Car Lane, reminding drivers not to let cars idle while on school grounds. This is a great reminder as Earth Day falls on April 22nd this year.



Health Office

MARTHA JONES HEALTH OFFICE

Spring is quickly approaching and keeping these key tips in mind can be helpful in staying healthy and safe this spring season!

Spring Allergies

Allergies are caused by the body's reaction to substances called "allergens," which trigger the immune system to react to harmless substances as though they were attacking the body.

Allergic rhinitis is an inflammation of the nasal membranes and eyes caused by certain particles in our environment (like, pollen and molds, or dust mites and animal dander).

The symptoms of allergic rhinitis

- Runny nose
- Sneezing
- Itchiness of the eyes, nose and throat
- Headache and fatigue can be symptoms sometimes

How can you minimize exposure to seasonal allergy triggers?

- Wash hands and face when coming inside come from playing outside so pollen is not rubbed in eyes and nose
- Take a shower at night before bedtime to wash off any pollen
- Do not bring items from outside into the bedroom
- Keep windows in your home and car closed when possible
- Check the forecast for pollen levels, and limit outdoor activities when pollen counts are higher

For more information regarding Spring Allergies please click [here](#) to healthychildren.org

Time for Tick Checks:

Everyone living in the New England area where ticks are common should perform nightly tick checks during the warm months. Rapid discovery and removal prevents ticks from transmitting diseases. Keep in mind that ticks are very small and love to be in warm dark places like the armpit, groin, around the ear and on the back of the neck.

Bike safety:

Wearing a helmet is one of the most important ways to stay safe on a bike!

Bike riding is a great way for families to get some outdoor exercise; however, it's also a leading cause of injuries in children.

Please reach out to the Health Office with any questions! Happy Spring!

Thank you, JoEllen Doyle, RN, BSN School Nurse

CLASSROOM NEWS



NEWS FROM 5B (MR. BARTLETT)

Last week the 5th graders went on their first field trip in three years! We boarded the bus for the short trip to Broadmoor Wildlife Sanctuary in Natick. The Mass Audubon site encompasses mature woodlands, streams, ponds, and marshland along Indian Brook and the Charles River. Once there, we divided into 5 groups and received a guided tour of the well groomed trails that led us through the sanctuary. Our guides pointed out areas and wildlife that connected with our science curriculum about habitats, ecosystems, food chains, food webs and animal adaptations. Each group had the opportunity to go "ponding" for aquatic insects and some were lucky enough to see fish, turtles and a muskrat swimming in the marshland. It was a bitterly cold day for April with a brisk wind that challenged everyone to keep moving and stay warm, but it was wonderful to be outside the classroom and enjoy a different change of pace after our ELA MCAS tests last week.



NEWS FROM 2H (MS. HARTWELL)

In Second Grade, the children develop strategies for accurately measuring length with nonstandard and standard units. Measuring the same length with different units such as paper clips, popsicle sticks and shoes results in different counts. The larger the unit the smaller the count and vice versa. Students come to learn that a common standard measurement is critical when communicating measurement and comparing measurement for accuracy. We can not accurately compare our jumps with popsicle sticks or paperclips so we need our standard measurement tools. The children also learned that in the United States the conventional units of measurement for length are inches, feet, yards and miles. However, most countries in the world use the metric system. The students of 2H jumped into measurement with both feet.



NEWS FROM 1D (MRS. DUNN)

Mrs. Dunn's first grade class has been writing up a storm this spring! After wrapping up a unit on writing All About books, we are now diving deep into a unit of study on opinion writing, honing our ability to develop convincing arguments that are supported by multiple detailed reasons. We kicked off this unit by having a pretend dog show and writing our opinions about which dog deserved the "Best in Show" award. Students have now transitioned to writing reviews of anything and everything- toys, games, movies, restaurants- and are bolstering their writing by trying out craft moves learned from analyzing mentor texts and sample student work. This is pretty sophisticated work for first graders, but having great powers of persuasion comes naturally to these young writers!



NEWS FROM THE ART ROOM (MRS. FRIBERG)

April 12th: Sculpture, Ceramics, and Art Show Prep with Mrs. Friberg!

This week in art class, students are putting the finishing touches on their Model Magic and ceramic sculptures, and choosing which three-dimensional piece they would like to put in the **Martha Jones Art Show** on **Wednesday, April 26th from 5:30-7:00!** Earlier in the year, students selected a two-dimensional piece of art for the art show, and those artworks are already hanging up and decorating the hallways of the school! If you'd like to see more photographs from our art adventures this year, please sign up for Mrs. Friberg's online [Seesaw](#) classroom if you haven't already, or check out [Mrs. Friberg's Art Site](#).



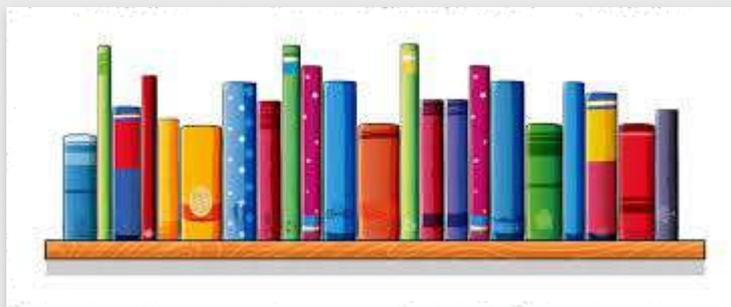
MARTHA JONES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
PTO
Be Kind. Be Curious. Be Courageous.

PTO NEWS



ART SHOW HELPERS NEEDED

We need a few [volunteers](#) to help with setup and displaying the children's art work for the Art Show on Wednesday, April 26. Please sign up today and help us make this a special evening for the MJS students.



BIRTHDAY BOOKS WRAPS UP IN MAY

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Birthday Books program this year! It is our first full year back since the 2018/2019 school year and we so appreciate the support of the Martha Jones community.

In May, we will wrap up the program for the year distributing all the remaining birthday books including all May and summer birthdays and any late enrollments. In June, the library stops

checking out books and Mrs. Swinning turns her attention to getting all the Martha Jones library books returned so we like to get all birthday books distributed by the end of May.

If you forgot to sign up and would still like to, there's still time. We are accepting enrollment through Friday, May 12. [Sign up today!](#)

Please don't hesitate to reach out to Amy Amatangelo (amyamatangelo@yahoo.com) if you have any questions about the Birthday Books program.

PTO OFFICERS NEEDED

We are looking to fill the following roles for next year: Co-President, Co-Secretary, Co-Treasurer, and Co-Social Media Manager. If you are interested in learning more about these positions or ways to get involved in the PTO, please reach out to Lauren Bent (laurengbent@gmail.com) or contact any of the other PTO officers. We will vote for officers at our final meeting on May 9th.

MORE PTO NEWS

SAVE THE DATES:

- Art Show: Wednesday, April 26
- Talent for a Cause: Friday, April 28
- Walk to School Day: Wednesday, May 3
- Family Movie Night: Friday, May 5
- PTO Meeting: Tuesday, May 9
- STEM Fair: Thursday, May 25
- Field Day: Friday, June 2

MARTHA JONES PTO FACEBOOK GROUP

Did you know Martha Jones PTO has its own Facebook group page? Join the Facebook group to get the latest PTO news and updates delivered right to your news feed! Click [here](#) to join!

MARTHA JONES PTO WEBSITE

We have our own website at mjspto.membershiptoolkit.com. Log in to stay informed on all PTO related news and events. All current events are posted on the Homepage for easy access. Volunteer, learn about our programs and events, purchase a membership, provide feedback, and much more.

PTO CONTACT FOR EVENTS, NOTICES:

If you have an event or notice for our PTO update, please email it to: PTO Co-Secretary Beth Klaene at baklaene@gmail.com or Mary Jason at maryjason06@gmail.com.



WESTWOOD SEPAC

SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Join Westwood Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) for our upcoming parent groups and meetings! You may be just starting your journey or be years into an IEP/504. All are welcome.

Visit us at www.westwoodsepac.org/events for more information.

SEPAC Liaison for Martha Jones: Frank and Caitlyn Jurczak caitlynp82@yahoo.com



Westwood Youth
&
Family Services

For more information on any of our services including counseling, mentor programs, community programming and other resources please contact us at youth@townhall.westwood.ma.us or (781) 320-1006. Follow us on social media for programming updates and parenting resources.

WESTWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

VISION:

Graduates of the Westwood Public Schools are skilled, confident, curious, and kind: excited for their futures and ready to contribute to their communities.

MISSION:

To prepare students for college, career, and civic life by providing rich and challenging curriculum, high-quality instruction, and authentic educational experiences.

CORE VALUES:

Academic excellence and a commitment to improvement

Curiosity and tenacity

Respectful relationships in a caring, collaborative community

2022-2023 SCHOOL CALENDAR

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29 Teachers report
 31 Students' First Day
 2-5 Labor Day Weekend
 26 Rosh Hashanah

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5 Yom Kippur
 10 Columbus Day

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11 Veterans Day
 23 Early dismissal
 24-25 Thanksgiving Recess
 28 All Day Inservice (No school for students)

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23 Inclement Weather - no school
 25 Christmas
 26-30 Vacation

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2 New Year's Day (Observed)
 16 Martin Luther King Day

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7 Good Friday
 17-21 Vacation

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20 Students' Last Day (Tentative)/Day 180
 19 Juneteenth
 26 Students' Last Day (includes 5 make-ups)

School Hours						
High School—7:25am-2:05pm (Early release dismissal at 12:45pm)						
Middle School—7:48am-2:25pm (Early release dismissal at 1:10pm)						
Elementary Schools—8:50am-3:10pm (Early release dismissal at 11:50am)						
Preschool 4-day—9am-1pm or 9am-2:45pm Preschool 5-day—9am-2:45pm (Early release dismissal at 11:30am)						
No School days printed in red Early Release Days highlighted in yellow						

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15-19 Vacation

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19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

27 Memorial Day

June 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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13 Students' Last Day (Tentative)/Day 180
19 Juneteenth
21 Students' Last Day (includes 5 make-ups)

School Hours & Calendar Observances	
High School	8:15am-2:55pm (Dismissal at 1:40pm on Early Release Days)
Middle School	7:45am-2:22pm (Dismissal at 1:10pm on Early Release Days)
Elementary Schools	9:00am-3:20pm (Dismissal at 12:00pm on Early Release Days)
Preschool 4-day	8:45am-12:45pm or 8:45am-2:30pm
Preschool 5-day	8:45am-2:30pm (Dismissal at 11:15am on Early Release Days)
	 Early Release Days will be highlighted in yellow

Please visit the Anti-Defamation League's website for a list of observances:
www.adl.org/resources/tools-and-strategies/calendar-observances

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