

DRAFT MERSD | 2025-2026 CALENDAR

Draft 2/27/25

AUG/SEPTEMBER '25						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	1	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	30				

25 Staff Back to School
 27 First Day of School
 29 No School
 1 Labor Day: No School
 TBD Essex Elementary Open House
 TBD Memorial School Open House
 TBD Middle School Open House
 TBD High School Open House

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FEBRUARY '26						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	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

16 Presidents' Day: No School
 16-20 February Vacation: No School

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OCTOBER '25						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			1	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	30	31	

13 Indigenous People's/
 Columbus Day: No School
 30 ½ day: K-8 Conferences
 31 No School: K-8 Conferences,
 HS PD

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MARCH '26						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

13 ½ day: K-8 Conferences
 16 Teacher PD Day

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NOVEMBER '25						
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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
30						

11 Veterans Day: No School
 26 Early Release*
 27-28 Thanksgiving Recess: No School

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APRIL '26						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			1	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	30		

20 Patriots' Day: No School
 20-24 April Vacation: No School

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DECEMBER '25						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

22-31 Winter Recess: No School

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MAY '26						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

25 Memorial Day: No School

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JANUARY '26						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

1-2 Winter Recess: No School
 19 M.L. King Day: No School

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JUNE '26						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	1	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	30				

TBD MERHS Graduation
 11 Last Day of Kindergarten (may be adjusted due to snow days)
 16 Last Day of School* (No Snow Days)
 19 Juneteenth
 24 Last Day of School* (if 5 Snow Days)

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<p>K-8 Grading Dates</p> <p>Trimester 1: 8/27-12/5 (66 days) 12/19 (report cards sent home)</p> <p>Trimester 2: 12/8-3/13 (54 days) 3/27 (report cards sent home)</p> <p>Trimester 3: 3/16-6/9 (55 days) 6/16 (report cards sent home)</p>	<p>HS Quarter Ends</p> <p>October 31 / January 23 / April 3 / June 12</p> <hr/> <p>K-8 Conferences</p> <p>October 30 (1/2 day)* October 31 (full day) March 13 (1/2 day)* *HS full day for students 10/30 & 3/13</p>
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<p>Professional Development Half Days</p> <p>September 24 October 10 November 5 December 3 January 7 February 4 March 4 April 1 May 6 June 3 K-8 Only June 15* (day before last day) HS Only</p>	<p>Professional Development Full Days</p> <p>August 25 & 26 October 31 (HS only) March 16</p> <hr/> <p>Open House Dates</p> <p>TBD</p>
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MERSD 2025-2026 School Year Calendar Draft Highlights:

- 2 full weeks for winter break
- Last day of school with NO snow days: June 16
 - *With 5 snow days: June 24*
- Starting in November, all early release Wednesdays are on the first Wednesday of the month.
 - *September and October adjusted to support start of year needs.*
 - *Same number of days identified as 2024-25 school year*
- Slightly longer 1st trimester K-8,
 - 1st trimester report cards released 12/19
 - 2nd term report cards released 3/27
 - 3rd term report cards released last day of school
- Early K-8 Conferences: October 30 & 31st
 - *During the 2024-25 school year we adjusted conferences to align with the release of report cards.*
 - *We received mixed feedback, some positive about this shift and others reporting that conferences seemed disjointed or too late to make adjustments mid-term based on conference meetings.*
 - *We are proposing an earlier conference for the 25-26 school year to provide time for addressing areas of need identified in conferences prior to report card grades*
 - *We plan to release a survey to families following conferences in October 2025 and gather feedback about the 2 different structures (later with report card release vs. earlier in the year) and utilize that feedback and comparison against the 2 experiences to move forward with conference dates for future school years.*