

2016

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2017

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12 MONTH CALENDAR

July '16

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DATE	HOLIDAY/BREAK
Jul 4	Independence Day
Sep 5	Labor Day
Nov 23-25	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 22-23 & 26-27	Winter Break
Jan 2	New Year's Day
Jan 16	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Feb 20	Virginia Heroes' Day/Presidents' Day
Apr 14 & 17	Spring Break
May 29	Memorial Day

March '17

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- Schools closed - Paid Holiday/Break for 12 month employees
- Induction workdays for new licensed staff
- Work/Staff development day/non-school day for students
- Schools open
- Collaborative planning - Early dismissal Grades K-5 (2 1/2 hours early)
- Parent/Teacher conference week (Schools in session)
- Early dismissal - All students 2 1/2 hrs early
- Schools closed - Workday for 12 month employees

April '17

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*The School Board approved November 23, 2016, as a non-workday for all 12 Month Employees.

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June '17

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**2016 - 2017 School Calendar
Definitions and Explanations
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Pre-Labor Day Opening - Montgomery County Schools start before Labor Day in SY 2016-2017. This provides for adequate inclement weather make-up days without needing to take away weekends or vacations and without increasing the length of the school day. The General Assembly allows school divisions to begin before Labor Day if they have missed an average of 8 or more days in at least 5 of the last 10 years. Montgomery County has traditionally qualified for this pre-Labor Day start.

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 Conferences - Elementary and Secondary Parent/Teacher conference weeks have been scheduled for **October 17, 2016**, and **March 20, 2017**. 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 remain in session during the conference weeks. For the District Wide Parent/Teacher Conference Day on Thursday, October 20, 2016, schools will have an early dismissal for all students. For the District Wide Parent/Teacher Conference Day on Thursday, March 23, 2017, schools will be closed and the day will be a workday for staff. 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 Observed (July 4), Labor Day (September 5), Thanksgiving (November 24-25), Winter Break (December 22, 23, 26, & 27), New Year's Day (January 2), Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (January 16), Virginia Heroes' Day/Presidents' Day (February 20), Spring Break (April 14 & 17), and Memorial Day (May 29). In addition, the School Board approved November 23, 2016, as a non-workday for all 12 month employees.

Inclement Weather Make-Up Day Plan
If 0 days are missed the last day of school will be on Thursday, May 18, 2017.
If 1 day is missed the last day of school will be on Friday, May 19, 2017.
If 2 days are missed the last day of school will be on Monday, May 22, 2017.
If 3 days are missed the last day of school will be on Tuesday, May 23, 2017.
If 4 days are missed the last day of school will be on Wednesday, May 24, 2017.
If 5 days are missed the last day of school will be on Thursday, May 25, 2017.
If 6 days are missed the last day of school will be on Friday, May 26, 2017.
If more than 6 days are missed, banked time may be used as provided by Sec. 22.1098 of the Code of Virginia.