



The H.O.P.E. Academy

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2025-2026 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

AUGUST Student Days 0 | August Staff Days 5

Monday, August 25, 2025 – Friday, August 29, 2025	Professional Development Activities for Staff
Wednesday, August 27, 2025	Back to School Night - HCDC - 6:00 pm
Thursday, August 28, 2025	Back to School Night – The H.O.P.E. Academy 6:00 pm

SEPTEMBER Student Days 21 | September Staff Days 21

Monday, September 1, 2025	Holiday: Labor Day (School Closed)
Tuesday, September 2, 2025	School opens for Staff and Students (Beginning of 1 st Quarter)

OCTOBER Student Days 22 | October Staff Days 23

Friday, October 17, 2025	Professional Development Day (School Closed for Students)
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NOVEMBER Student Days 17 | November Staff Days 18

Monday, November 3, 2025	End of 1 st Quarter (43 days)
Tuesday, November 4, 2025	Beginning of 2 nd Quarter
Thursday, November 6, 2025	Parent Teacher Conferences 3:15 pm - 6:00 pm
Friday, November 7, 2025	Professional Development Day (School Closed for Students)
Wednesday, November 12, 2025	1 st Quarter Report Cards Distributed (Awards Ceremony)
Thursday, November 27, 2025 – Friday, November 28, 2025	Holiday: Thanksgiving (School Closed)

DECEMBER Student Days 15 | December Staff Days 15

Monday, December 1, 2025	School reopens for Staff & Students
Thursday, December 18, 2025	Christmas Performance
Monday, December 22, 2025 – Friday, January 2, 2026	Holiday: Christmas (School Closed)

JANUARY Student Days 19 | January Staff Days 19

Monday, January 5, 2026	School reopens for Staff & Students
Monday, January 19, 2026	Holiday: Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (School Closed)
Wednesday, January 21, 2026	End of 2 nd Quarter (43 days)
Thursday, January 22, 2026	Beginning of 3 rd Quarter
Thursday, January 22, 2026	Parent Teacher Conferences 3:15 pm - 6:00 pm
Thursday, January 29, 2026	2 nd Quarter Report Cards Distributed (Awards Ceremony)

FEBRUARY Student Days 18 | February Staff Days 19

Friday, February 13, 2026	Professional Development Day (School Closed for Students)
Monday, February 16, 2026	Holiday: Presidents' Day (School Closed)
Thursday, February 19, 2026	Black History Month Celebration



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MARCH Student Days 21 | March Staff Days 22

Sunday, March 8, 2026	Huber Memorial Church - Student Celebration
Thursday, March 26, 2026	End of 3rd Quarter (44 days) Parent Teacher Conferences 3:15pm -6:00pm
Friday, March 27, 2026	3 rd Quarter Report Cards Distributed (Awards Ceremony)
March 30, 2026 – April 6, 2026	Holiday: Easter (School Closed)

APRIL Student Days 17 | April Staff Days 18

March 30, 2026 – April 6, 2026	Holiday: Easter (School Closed)
Tuesday, April 7, 2026	School reopens for Staff & Students/Beginning of 4th Quarter
Friday, April 24, 2026	Professional Development Day (School Closed for Students)

MAY Student Days 18 | May Staff Days 19

Monday, May 4, 2026 – Wednesday, May 13, 2026	Student Testing and Assessments
Friday, May 22, 2026	Professional Development Day (School Closed for Students)
Monday, May 25, 2026	Holiday: Memorial Day (School Closed)
Friday, May 29, 2026	Fun Day

JUNE Student Days 4 | June Staff Days 4

Wednesday, June 3, 2025	5 th Grade Graduation
Thursday, June 4, 2025	End of 4 th Quarter (43 days)
Thursday, June 4, 2025	Last Day for Students Dismissal 12:00 pm (4 th Quarter Report Cards Distributed)/Last Day for Teachers

Total Student Days: 172 | Total Staff Days: 183

AAA Summer Camp: June 22, 2026-July 31, 2026 (6 weeks)