

2020.21 STUDENT CALENDAR

LEGEND

- 1** First and Last Day of School
- 1** Student Holiday
- Inclement Weather Make-up Day
- 1** OR Student Holiday
- 1** Early Release Days (Grades K–8)
- 1** Digital Learning Days (all students learn at home)
- High School Final Exams (Grades 9–12)

AUGUST 2020

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This calendar reflects changes (approved Nov. 19) to the current calendar. For the four added Digital Learning Days (DLDs), all students will learn from home, completing assignments at their own pace. If plans change, affecting the school calendar, families would be notified via SchoolMessenger, and an updated calendar would be posted online.

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 inclement weather make-up days. If school is cancelled for bad weather, students will make up days as follows:

First day missed— Make up on Feb. 12; and

Second day missed— Make up on March 12.

Note: GCPS will make up any inclement weather days by using scheduled make-up days, Digital Learning Days (DLDs), and/or extending the school day or year. Unused inclement weather 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 website (www.gcpsk12.org); on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram; through SchoolMessenger; and via metro-Atlanta radio and television stations.

DLDs and full-day cancellations usually are announced by 6 a.m.

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2020-21 STAFF CALENDAR

July 3	F	Independence Day Observed (Staff holiday) <i>{All staff holiday}</i>
July 20–22	M–W	Required New Teacher Orientation
July 23, 24, 27 & 28		New Teachers Report (Schools determine which two of the four days new teachers report)
July 29–August 11		Required teacher pre-planning/staff development [#1–#10] <i>{190-day staff}</i>
August 12	W	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL/Begin 1st semester [Day 1]
September 7	M	Labor Day (Student/staff holiday) <i>{All staff holiday}</i>
October 8 & 9	Th & F	Fall Break <i>{Student & 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, 185-, 190-, 193-, & 200-day staff holiday}</i>
October 12	M	Required teacher planning/staff development [#11] & student/staff holiday <i>{Student & 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, & 185-day staff holiday}</i>
October 21 & 22	W & Th	K–8 early release
November 3	Tu	Student/staff holiday <i>{Student & 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, 185-, 190-, & 193-day staff holiday}</i>
November 23–27		Thanksgiving break (Student/staff holidays) <i>{Student & 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, 185-, 190-, 193-, 200-, 210-, 220-, & 230-day staff holiday}</i>
November 26 & 27	Th & F	Thanksgiving break <i>{12-month staff}</i>
December 16–18	W–F	HS early release for exams
December 16–January 4		Winter break <i>{174- & 175-day staff holiday}</i>
December 18	F	End of 1st semester [Day 83]
December 21–January 4		Winter break (Student/staff holidays) <i>{Student & 180-, 181-, & 185-, 190-, 193-, 200-, 210-, 220- & 230-day staff holiday}</i>
December 23–January 1		Winter break <i>{12-month staff holiday}</i>
January 5	Tu	Required teacher planning/staff development [#12] & student/staff holiday <i>{Student & 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, & 185-day staff holiday}</i>
January 6	W	Required planning/staff development [#13] & student holiday
January 7	Th	Students return to school/Begin 2nd semester [Day 84]
January 18	M	Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Federal observance) (Student/staff holiday) <i>{All staff holiday}</i>
January 26	Tu	Required planning/staff development & Digital Learning Day #1 (All students learn at home)
February 12	F	Student/staff holiday <i>{Student & 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, 185-, 190-, 193-, & 200-day staff holiday}</i> OR Inclement weather make-up day (Priority 1)
February 15	M	Required teacher planning/staff development [#14] & student/staff holiday <i>{Student & 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, & 185-day staff holiday}</i>
February 17 & 18	W & Th	K–8 early release
March 2	Tu	Required planning/staff development & Digital Learning Day #2 (All students learn at home)
March 12	F	Student/staff holiday <i>{Student & 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, 185-, 190-, 193-, & 200-day staff holiday}</i> OR Inclement weather make-up day (Priority 2)
March 16	Tu	Required planning/staff development & Digital Learning Day #3 (All students learn at home)
April 5–9		Spring break (Student/staff holidays) <i>{Student & 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, 185-, 190-, 193-, 200-, 210-, 220-, & 230-day staff holiday}</i>
April 9	F	Spring holiday <i>{12-month staff holiday}</i>
April 20	Tu	Required planning/staff development & Digital Learning Day #4 (All students learn at home)
May 24–26	M–W	HS early release for exams
May 26	W	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL/End of 2nd semester [Day 174]
May 27 & 28	Th & F	Required teacher post-planning/staff development [#15 & #16] <i>{190-day staff}</i>
May 31	M	Memorial Day (Staff holiday) <i>{All staff holiday}</i>

Beginning and Ending Dates for Staff for 2020–21

174-day staff	.....8-5-20 to 5-21-21
175-day staff	.....8-4-20 to 5-21-21
180-day staff	.....8-5-20 to 5-26-21
181-day staff	.....8-4-20 to 5-26-21
185-day staff	.....7-29-20 to 5-26-21
190-day staff	.....7-29-20 to 5-28-21
193-day staff	.....7-23-20 to 5-27-21
200-day staff	.....7-22-20 to 6-4-21
210-day staff	.....7-22-20 to 6-14-21
220-day staff—	
ES & MS admin. asst.	7-8-20 to 6-14-21
Other 220-day staff	...7-22-20 to 6-28-21
230-day staff	.....7-8-20 to 6-28-21
12-month staff	.....7-1-20 to 6-30-21

Required Teacher Planning/Staff Development Days for 2020–21

July 29–31, Aug. 3–7, Aug. 10 & 11, Oct. 12, Jan. 5, Jan. 6, Feb. 15, May 27 & 28

Planning/DLDs for 2020–21

Jan. 26, March 2, March 16, April 20

12-Month Employee Holidays for 2020–21

July 3, Sept. 7, Nov. 26–27, Dec. 23–Jan. 1, Jan. 18, April 9, May 31

Inclement Weather Make-up Days:

If school is cancelled for inclement weather, students and school staff will make up additional days as follows: First day missed, make up on **Friday, Feb. 12**; and second day missed, make up on **Friday, March 12**. GCPS will make up any additional inclement weather days by using scheduled make-up days, Digital Learning Days, and/or extending the school day or year. Unused inclement weather make-up days will be holidays for students and designated staff.

Planning/Staff Development Days:

Throughout the school year, teachers are scheduled to work a total of 20 planning/staff development days, including additional days for pre-planning activities and staff development for digital learning and four planning days added in 2nd semester when all students (including in-person students) will learn at home, completing assignments at their own pace (asynchronous). Designated dates are **July 29–31, Aug. 3–7, Aug. 10 and 11, Oct. 12, Jan. 5, Jan. 6, *Jan. 26, Feb. 15, *March 2, *March 16, *April 20, and May 27 and 28**. School and Transportation staff will participate in staff development on **Jan. 6**. On the four *Digital Learning Days, staff will participate in planning/staff development. Some SNP and Transportation staff also may provide operational support on those days.