

# 2021-2022 WESTFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS CALENDAR

August 2021						
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## STARTING DATES

Aug 30	Teachers Return
Aug 31	Grades 1-5 Classes Begin
Aug 31	Grades 6 & 9 Orientation
Aug 31 - Sep 2	PreK & Kindergarten Orientation
Sep 1	Grades 7, 8, & 10-12 Classes Begin
Sep 7	PreK & Kindergarten Classes Begin

## NO SCHOOL - HOLIDAYS / VACATIONS / ELECTIONS / FULL DAY STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Sep 3 - 6	Labor Day Weekend
Oct 11	Columbus Day
Oct 12	Professional Development
Nov 11	Veterans' Day
Nov 25 - 26	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 24 - 31	December Break
Jan 1	New Year's Day
Jan 17	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Feb 21	Presidents' Day
Feb 21 - 25	February Break
Apr 18	Patriots' Day
Apr 18 - 22	Spring Break
May 3	Town Election Day/Professional Devel
May 30	Memorial Day
Jun 19	Juneteenth

## MAJOR RELIGIOUS & CULTURAL HOLIDAYS

* Sep 6 - 8	Rosh Hashanah
* Sep 15 - 16	Yom Kippur
** Nov 4	Diwali
* Nov 28 - Dec 6	Hanukkah
Dec 25	Christmas
Dec 26 - Jan 1	Kwanzaa
Jan 7	Orthodox Christmas
Feb 1	Lunar New Year
* Apr 15 - 23	Passover
Apr 15	Good Friday
Apr 17	Easter
* Apr 2 - May 1	Ramadan
Apr 24	Orthodox Easter
* May 2 - 3	Eid al-Fitr
* Observances begin at sundown of the first day circled.	
** Celebrations may occur on days preceding and following this date. Policies related to celebrating holidays can be found on back of calendar.	

## EARLY RELEASE - ALL SCHOOLS

Nov 24	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 2	Professional Development
Dec 23	December Break Begins
Feb 2	Professional Development
Apr 6	Professional Development
Apr 15	Good Friday
May 17	Professional Development
Jun 16	Tentative last student & staff day

February 2022						
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




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	No School ALL Schools
	Early Release - ALL Schools
	Parent Conferences
	Religious & Cultural Holidays
	5 Snow Days



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### BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHTS

September	23	Blanchard Grade 6
September	23	Stony Brook Grades 6-8
September	30	Blanchard Grades 7 & 8
October	7	Westford Academy ( <b>No classes at WA</b> )
October	14	Grades 3-5
October	18	Grades PK, K & 1-2

### PARENT CONFERENCES

Please note the different dates for no school days and delays for conferences.

**Morning conferences begin at regular school start times.**

November	22	Gr PreK-8, 2-8 p.m. conferences - <b>No School</b>
November	23	Gr PreK-8, a.m. conferences - <b>2 hour delay</b>
March	21	Gr PreK-5, 2-8 p.m. conferences - <b>No School</b>
March	22	Gr PreK-5, a.m. conferences - <b>2 hour delay</b>

### MARKING PERIOD END DATES

Preschool:	Jan 28, Jun 17
Elementary:	Dec 3, Mar 18, Jun 17
Middle School:	Dec 3, Mar 18, Jun 17
High School:	Nov 9, Jan 26, Apr 6, Jun 17

### STARTING AND DISMISSAL SCHEDULE

<u>School</u>	<u>Start</u>	<u>End</u>	<u>Early Dismissal</u>
Westford Academy	7:35 a.m.	1:55 p.m.	11:00 a.m.
Blanchard	7:35 a.m.	1:55 p.m.	11:00 a.m.
Stony Brook	7:35 a.m.	1:55 p.m.	11:00 a.m.
Grades 3-5	8:25 a.m.	2:30 p.m.	11:40 a.m.
Grades K-2	9:05 a.m.	3:10 p.m.	12:20 p.m.
K (a.m.)	9:05 a.m.	11:35 a.m.	12:20 p.m.
K (p.m.)	12:40 p.m.	3:10 p.m.	No School
PreK (a.m.)	9:05 a.m.	11:35 a.m.	11:35 a.m.
PreK (p.m.)	12:40 p.m.	3:10 p.m.	No School

### SCHOOL CLOSING/DELAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements are made at approximately 5:30 a.m.

Web:	westfordk12.us
Radio:	WBZ (1030), WCAP (980), WRKO (680)
TV:	WBZ (4), WCVB (5), WHDH (7), FOX 25

### MAJOR RELIGIOUS & CULTURAL HOLIDAYS POLICIES

Per Policy 5114: The existence of a religious holiday on a given day is, in and of itself, not a valid reason for removing a full or half day from the school calendar. A partial list of major cultural holidays will be listed on the reverse of the school calendar for reference only. If a committee is in place, the district or town cultural committee will review the list bi-annually. A more complete list of Massachusetts's legal holidays and some major religious holidays can be accessed annually at <http://www.doe.mass.edu/resources/holidays.html>.

Per Policy 5203: To be consistent with the spirit and letter of the law, and to avoid compromising any student's religious freedoms, the following guidelines are established.

**Excused Absences** - The Westford Public Schools will allow excused absences to celebrate religious holidays.

**Notification of Absence** - Parents are expected to follow procedures for 'reporting an absence' as stipulated in the student handbook.

**Religious Holiday Observance** – A student may not be penalized for his/her observance of a religious holiday. The student is expected to complete work impacted by the religious observance within one week of the holiday. Any missed tests or quizzes shall be taken within a week of the missed day, at a time mutually agreeable to the teacher and the student. At the elementary and middle school, it may be necessary to involve the student's parent/guardian for transportation consideration. Staff and teachers shall provide students with class notes or syllabus, and any assignments prior to the absence if requested and if available. Otherwise these items shall be provided upon return from a religious holiday.

**Sports and Extracurricular Activities** – Students shall not be penalized because they are unable to participate in a sporting event, practice, try-outs or any other extra-curricular activity due to their observance of a religious holiday.

### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

March 7, 2022 6 - 8 p.m.  
March 8, 2022 9 - 12 noon

### WA GRADUATION

June 3, 2022