



WESTFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2024-2025 Academic Calendar

<p>AUGUST</p> <p>26 Teachers Return 27 Professional Day Orientation Gr 6 & 9 Only 28 Grades 1-12 Classes Begin 28-30 PK & K Orientation</p> <p># Student Days: 3</p>	<p>AUGUST 2024</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; text-align: center;"> <thead> <tr><th>S</th><th>M</th><th>T</th><th>W</th><th>Th</th><th>F</th><th>S</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td></tr> <tr><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td></tr> <tr><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td></tr> <tr><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td></tr> <tr><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td><td>31</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	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	<p>FEBRUARY 2025</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; text-align: center;"> <thead> <tr><th>S</th><th>M</th><th>T</th><th>W</th><th>Th</th><th>F</th><th>S</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td></tr> <tr><td>9</td><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td></tr> <tr><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td></tr> <tr><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td></td></tr> </tbody> </table>	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		<p>FEBRUARY</p> <p>5 Early Release Professional Day 17 Presidents Day 17-21 February Recess</p> <p># Student Days: 15</p>							
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Starting and Dismissal Schedule

School	Start	Dismissal	Early Dismissal
Westford Academy	7:35 a.m.	1:55 p.m.	11:00 a.m.
Blanchard MS	7:35 a.m.	1:55 p.m.	11:00 a.m.
Stony Brook MS	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.
PK a.m.	9:05 a.m.	11:35 a.m.	11:35 a.m.
PK p.m.	12:40 p.m.	3:10 p.m.	No School

Back To School Nights

September 19	Grades 3-5
September 24	Grades PK & K-2
September 26	Grades 6-8
October 10	Westford Academy early release for students

Parent Conferences

December 11-12	Elementary Schools
January 8-9	Middle Schools
March 26-27	Elementary Schools

Marking Period End Dates

Preschool:	Jan 24
Elem Schools:	Nov 27, Mar 14
Middle Schools:	Nov 27, Mar 14, Jun 18
High School:	Oct 30, Jan 23, Apr 2, Jun 18

WA Graduation

June 6, 2025

School Closings or Delays

Announcements are made on the following broadcasts.

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

Major Religious & Cultural Holiday 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.

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 Absences: Parents are expected to follow procedures for 'reporting an absence' as stipulated in the student handbook.

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 extracurricular activity due to their observance of a religious holiday.

Religious Holiday Observance: A student may not be penalized for their observance of a religious holiday. The student is expected to complete work impacted by the religious observance within one week of the missed day, at a time mutually agreeable to the teacher and the student. 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.

Major Religious & Cultural Holidays

[Town DEI Multicultural Calendar link.](#)

(Full URL is listed at the bottom of this page.)

Rosh Hashanah *	Oct 3 - 4
Yom Kippur *	Oct 12
Diwali	Nov 1
Christmas	Dec 25
Hanukkah *	Dec 26 - Jan 2
Kwanzaa	Dec 26 - Jan 1
Orthodox Christmas	Jan 7
Lunar New Year	Jan 29
Ramadan *	Mar 1 - Mar 30
Eid al-Fitr *	Mar 31
Passover *	Apr 13
Good Friday	Apr 18
Easter	Apr 20
Orthodox Easter	Apr 20

* These holidays begin at sundown on the evening **prior to the date listed.**