

2023-2024 Blacksburg New School Calendar

Please note that additional classroom and fundraising events may be added during the year.

Aug.	9	Start of Teacher Workdays: August 9, 10, 11, 14, 15 (W,Th,F,M,T)
Aug.	12	Parent Workday, Saturday, 10:00 am start (to get the school ready) (There will be options for summertime tasks, too.)
Aug.	14	Back-to-School Potluck at Nellie's Cave Park; 6:00 pm (Monday)
Aug.	16	First Day of School (a Wednesday) (VT and RU classes start on Mon. the 21 st this year; Montgomery County Public Schools start date is also Aug. 16)
Sept.	4	BNS Closed, Labor Day Holiday, a Monday (MCPS are also closed; VT no classes; RU yes classes)
Sept.	22	School Photos are scheduled for this day, a Friday (weather-dependent). Rain date = Sept. 29
Oct.	7	[Possible date for Fall Fundraiser.]
Oct.	13	BNS Closed, No Classes; Teacher Workday for Parent-Teacher Conference prep/reimbursement (This is a Friday.)
Oct.	16	BNS Closed, No Classes; Teacher Workday for Parent-Teacher Conference prep/reimbursement (This is a Monday.)
Oct.	19	Corporation Meeting, 6:00 p.m., a Thursday
Nov.	3	BNS Half-Day; Early Dismissal Pick-Up Schedule; a Friday (first Friday in November) Teacher Workday for all teachers and supports the particular grading schedule of our Middle School Program Middle School (Grades 6-8) Pick-Up = 11:30 to 11:45 Upper Elementary (Grades 3-5 = 11:45 to 12:00 Lower Elementary (Grades K-2) = 12:00 to 12:15 [Siblings go with the oldest student's timeslot.]
Nov.	9	Fall Student Performance Event; 6:30 pm (at BHS; a Thursday evening)
Nov.	17	No After School Program; a Friday
Nov.	20-24	Fall Break (the full week)
Dec.	21	No After School Program; a Thursday
Dec.	22	BNS Closed as part of Winter Break: a Friday
Dec.22-Jan.7		BNS is Closed for Winter Break (MCPS break start = Dec. 21; VT last exam=13 th ; RU's= 7 th) [Winter Break = two full weeks + the Friday before, then there is a Teacher Workday the Monday after]
Jan.	8	BNS Closed, No Classes; Teacher Workday (a Monday)
Jan.	9	School resumes (a Tuesday) (MCPS students resume date = Jan. 8; VT and RU classes resume on Tues. Jan. 16)
Jan.	15	BNS Closed, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Holiday, a Monday (VT and RU—no classes. MCPS are closed.)
Feb.	10	Annual "Chocolate Party" fundraiser; Saturday at University Mall 10am-3pm
Feb.	16	BNS Closed, No Classes; Teacher Workday for Parent-Teacher Conference prep/reimbursement (This is a Friday.)
Feb.	19	BNS Closed, No Classes; Teacher Workday for Parent-Teacher Conference prep/reimbursement (This is a Monday.) (The Monday also happens to be Presidents' Day; MCPS are closed that day.)
Mar.	1	No After School Program; a Friday
Mar.	4-8	Spring Break (This is VT's and RU's Spring Break.) (MCPS Spring Break = March 28 – April 2)
Mar.	21	Corporation Meeting, 6:00 p.m., this is a Thursday
Apr.	5	BNS Half-Day; Early Dismissal Pick-Up Schedule (see Nov 3); a Friday (first Friday in April) Teacher Workday for all teachers and supports the particular grading schedule of our Middle School Program
Apr.	20	[Likely date for Earth Day Extravaganza fundraising event.]
May	10	BNS Closed, No Classes; Teacher Workday for Parent-Teacher Conference prep/reimbursement (This is a Friday.)
May	13	BNS Closed, No Classes; Teacher Workday for Parent-Teacher Conference prep/reimbursement (This is a Monday.)
May	27	BNS Closed, Memorial Day Holiday, a Monday
May	30	Annual Arts and Graduation End-of-Year Celebration, 6:00 p.m. (Thursday)
May	31	BNS Half-Day, Last Day of School; Early Dismissal Pick-Up Schedule (see Nov 3); a Friday (MCPS's last day = May 22)

BNS School Day = 9:00 am – 3:15 pm

This is a 1096 hour calendar. VISA requirement = 1080 hours.

The 16+ hours (2.7 days) of Banked Time may be used for weather or other extenuating circumstances.