

2024-2025 Blacksburg New School Calendar

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

Aug.	7	Start of Teacher Workdays: August 7, 8, 9, 12, 13 (W,Th,F,M,T)
Aug.	10	Parent Workday, Saturday, 10:00 am start (to get the school ready) (There will be options for summertime tasks, too.)
Aug.	12	Back-to-School Potluck at Nellie's Cave Park; 6:00 pm (Monday)
Aug.	14	First Day of School (a Wednesday) (VT and RU classes start on Mon. the 26 th this year; Montgomery County Public Schools proposed start date is Aug. 13)
Sept.	2	BNS Closed, Labor Day Holiday, a Monday (MCPS are also closed; VT no classes; RU yes classes)
Sept.	20	School Photos are scheduled for this day, a Friday (weather-dependent). Rain date = Sept. 27
Oct.	18	BNS Closed, No Classes; Teacher Workday for Parent-Teacher Conference prep/reimbursement (This is a Friday.)
Oct.	21	BNS Closed, No Classes; Teacher Workday for Parent-Teacher Conference prep/reimbursement (This is a Monday.)
Oct.	24	Corporation Meeting, 6:00 p.m., a Thursday
Nov.	1	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.	14	Fall Follies Student Performance Event; 6:30 pm (at BHS; a Thursday evening; BHS confirmation available in August)
Nov.	22	No After School Program; a Friday
Nov.	25-29	Fall Break (the full week)
Dec.	19	No After School Program; a Thursday
Dec.	20	BNS Closed as part of Winter Break; a Friday
Dec.	20-Jan.5	BNS is Closed for Winter Break (MCPS proposed break start = Dec. 21; VT last exam=18 th ; RU's= 12 th) [Winter Break = two full weeks + the Friday before, then there is a Teacher Workday the Monday after]
Jan.	6	BNS Closed, No Classes; Teacher Workday (a Monday)
Jan.	7	School resumes (a Tuesday) (MCPS students proposed resume date = Jan. 6; VT & RU classes resume on Tues. Jan. 21)
Jan.	20	BNS Closed, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Holiday, a Monday (VT and RU—no classes. MCPS are closed.)
Feb.	8	Annual "Chocolate Party" fundraiser; Saturday at University Mall 10am-3pm
Feb.	14	BNS Closed, No Classes; Teacher Workday for Parent-Teacher Conference prep/reimbursement (This is a Friday.)
Feb.	17	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.	7	No After School Program; a Friday
Mar.	10-14	Spring Break (This is VT's and RU's Spring Break.) (MCPS Spring Break = March 28 – April 2)
Mar.	27	Corporation Meeting, 6:00 p.m., this is a Thursday
Apr.	4	BNS Half-Day; Early Dismissal Pick-Up Schedule (see Nov 1); a Friday (first Friday in April) Teacher Workday for all teachers and supports the particular grading schedule of our Middle School Program
Apr.	19	[Likely date for Earth Day Extravaganza fundraising event.]
May	9	BNS Closed, No Classes; Teacher Workday for Parent-Teacher Conference prep/reimbursement (This is a Friday.)
May	12	BNS Closed, No Classes; Teacher Workday for Parent-Teacher Conference prep/reimbursement (This is a Monday.)
May	26	BNS Closed, Memorial Day Holiday, a Monday
May	29	Annual Arts and Graduation End-of-Year Celebration, 6:00 p.m. (Thursday)
May	30	BNS Half-Day, Last Day of School; Early Dismissal Pick-Up Schedule (see Nov 1); a Friday (MCPS's proposed last day = May 23)

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.
School closings needed beyond the 16.875 hours may be handled via an asynchronous "remote learning days" plan.