# 2018-2019 CPS Calendar

## Elementary and High Schools

**Dates: August 20, 2018 - June 21, 2019**

### Notes:
- **SCHOOL CALENDAR** — School clerks begin on August 22, 2018. Teachers and Chicago Teacher’s Union (CTU) — represented Paraprofessionals and School-Related Personnel (PSRPs) begin on August 27, 2018. Other school-based employees begin between August 27, 2018 and September 4, 2018. Students begin classes on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 and end on Tuesday, June 18, 2019. Both days are full days of school for students.
- **QUARTERS** — Each quarter ends on the following day:
  - Q1 ends November 15, 2018
  - Q2 ends January 31, 2019
  - Q3 ends May 18, 2019
  - Q4 ends June 18, 2019
- **PROGRESS REPORT DISTRIBUTION DAYS** — Schools will distribute progress reports on the following dates:
  - Q1: October 5, 2018
  - Q2: December 14, 2018
  - Q3: March 8, 2019
  - Q4: May 17, 2019
- **PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCE DAYS** — Parents are asked to pickup report cards and conference with teachers after the first and third quarters. Parent-Teacher conference days are non-attendance days for students. Elementary and high schools are expected to run a Parent-Teacher Conference Day:
- **REPORT CARD DISTRIBUTION DAYS** — Please note that report cards for the second and fourth quarters will be sent home: Q2 on February 18, 2019
- **TEACHER INSTITUTE DAYS** — Teacher institute days are non-attendance days for students. These days are approved by the State Superintendent of Instruction for teacher professional development. Teacher institute days are principal-directed for August 28-30, 2018; August 31, 2018 is teacher-directed. August 28, 2018 may be used flexibly across the year.
- **SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT DAYS** — School Improvement Days are non-attendance days for students and are for teachers and staff to review student data, plan instruction, and engage in development aligned to school priorities. They are principal-directed, except April 5, 2019 and June 19, 2019, which are teacher-directed.
- **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS** — Each school is provided 2 Professional Development Days: August 27, 2018 and June 20, 2019. Professional development days may be used flexibly across the year. They are principal directed.
- **VACATIONS** — Schools are closed for the following breaks:
  - Winter vacation: Schools are closed from April 15, 2019 to April 19, 2019.
  - Spring vacation: Schools are closed from April 15, 2019 to April 19, 2019.
- **GRADUATION DATES** — High school graduation ceremonies cannot be held prior to June 8, 2019. Elementary graduation ceremonies cannot be held prior to June 13, 2019.
- **ANTICIPATED SUMMER PROGRAMS** — Anticipated Summer Programs include Summer Bridge, Bilingual Bridge, English Language Summer Support, Extended School Year, Summer Acceleration and High School Summer Credit Recovery.

### Holidays
- September 3: Labor Day
- October 8: Columbus Day
- November 12: Veteran’s Day
- November 22, 23: Thanksgiving Holiday
- December 25, 2018: School closed—salary paid except as provided by budgetary action
- December 26, 2018: School closed—salary paid except as provided by budgetary action
- January 1, 2019: New Year’s Day
- January 21, 2019: M. L. King Day
- February 18, 2019: President’s Day
- May 27, 2019: Memorial Day
- July 4, 2019: Independence Day
- July 5, 2019: Independence Day

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### Legend
- Q End of Quarter
  - Teacher Institute Days
  - High School Parent-Teacher Conference Day (Report card pickup)
- # School Improvement Days
  - ESPT Elementary Parent-Teacher Conference Day (Report card pickup)
- * Holiday
- Day of non-attendance for students
- Anticipated Window for Summer Programs
- Schools closed—no salary paid

### School Closures
- October 22, 2018: School closed—salary paid except as provided by budgetary action
- November 23, 2018: School closed—salary paid except as provided by budgetary action
- December 24, 2018: School closed—salary paid except as provided by budgetary action
- January 1, 2019: New Year’s Day
- January 21, 2019: M. L. King Day
- February 18, 2019: President’s Day
- May 27, 2019: Memorial Day
- July 4, 2019: Independence Day
- July 5, 2019: Independence Day

Please note: December 25 and January 1 are holidays for the district offices.

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