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## THE PROMISE OF GWINNETT 2017-18 STUDENT CALENDAR

### INFORMATION

**Early release days** are held twice a year in elementary and middle schools to allow for parent-teacher conferences. School is dismissed 2½ hours early.

The calendar includes **three inclement weather make-up days**. If school is cancelled for bad weather, students will make up days as follows:

**First day missed— Make up on Feb. 23;**

**Second day missed— Make up on March 9; and**

**Third day missed— Make up on March 23.**

*Unused inclement weather make-up days will be student holidays.*

If bad weather causes school to be cancelled or dismissed early, public announcements will be made on GCPS TV, on the school system's website ([www.gwinnett.k12.ga.us](http://www.gwinnett.k12.ga.us)), on Twitter and Facebook, through SchoolMessenger calls and optional texts, and via metro-Atlanta radio and television stations. Full-day cancellations usually are announced by 6 a.m.

**Note:** GCPS will make up any additional inclement weather days beyond the three accounted for in the calendar by extending the school day or year.

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### LEGEND

**1** First and Last Day of School

**1** Student Holiday

**1** Inclement Weather Make-up Day  
**OR** Student Holiday

**1** Early Release Days  
(Grades K-8)

— High School Final Exams  
(Grades 9-12)

### AUGUST 2017

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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### JANUARY 2018

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### SEPTEMBER 2017

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### FEBRUARY 2018

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### OCTOBER 2017

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### MARCH 2018

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### NOVEMBER 2017

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### APRIL 2018

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### DECEMBER 2017

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### MAY 2018

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# 2017–18 STAFF CALENDAR

July 4	Tu	Independence Day (Staff holiday) <i>{All staff holiday}</i>
July 18 & 19	Tu & W	<b>Required</b> New Teacher Orientation
July 20, 21, 24, & 25		New Teachers Report (Schools determine which two of the four days new teachers report)
July 31 & August 1–4	M–F	<b>Required</b> teacher pre-planning/staff development [#1–#5] <i>{190-day staff}</i>
August 7	M	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL/Begin 1st Semester [Day 1]
September 4	M	Labor Day (Student/staff holiday) <i>{All staff holiday}</i>
September 27 & 28	W & Th	K–8 early release
October 9	M	<b>Required</b> teacher planning/staff development [#6] & student holiday <i>{Student &amp; 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, &amp; 185-day staff holiday}</i>
November 20–24	M–F	Thanksgiving break (Student/staff holidays) <i>{Student &amp; 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, 185-, 190-, 193-, 200-, 210-, 220-, &amp; 230-day staff holidays}</i>
November 23 & 24	Th & F	Thanksgiving break <i>{12-month staff holidays}</i>
December 18–20	M–W	HS early release for exams
December 18–29		Winter break <i>{174- &amp; 175-day staff holidays}</i>
December 20	W	End of 1st semester [Day 91]
December 21–29		Winter break (Student/staff holidays) <i>{Student &amp; 180-, 181-, 185-, 190-, 193-, 200-, 210-, 220-, &amp; 230-day staff holidays}</i>
December 22–29		Winter break <i>{12-month staff holidays}</i>
January 1	M	New Year's Day observed (Student/staff holiday) <i>{All staff holiday}</i>
January 2	Tu	Student/teacher holiday <i>{Student &amp; 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, 185-, 190-, 193-, &amp; 200-day staff holiday}</i>
January 3	W	<b>Required</b> teacher planning/staff development [#7] & student holiday <i>{Student &amp; 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, &amp; 185-day staff holiday}</i>
January 4	Th	Students return to school/Begin 2nd semester [Day 92]
January 15	M	Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Federal observance) (Student/staff holiday) <i>{All staff holiday}</i>
February 9	F	Student/teacher holiday <i>{Student &amp; 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, 185-, 190-, 193-, &amp; 200-day staff holiday}</i>
February 19	M	<b>Required</b> teacher planning/staff development [#8] & student holiday <i>{Student &amp; 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, &amp; 185-day staff holiday}</i>
February 21 & 22	W & Th	K–8 early release
February 23	F	Student/teacher holiday <b>OR</b> Inclement weather make-up day (Priority 1) <i>{Student &amp; 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, 185-, 190-, 193-, &amp; 200-day staff holiday if not weather make-up day}</i>
March 9	F	Student/teacher holiday <b>OR</b> Inclement weather make-up day (Priority 2) <i>{Student &amp; 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, 185-, 190-, 193-, &amp; 200-day staff holiday if not weather make-up day}</i>
March 23	F	Student/teacher holiday <b>OR</b> Inclement weather make-up day (Priority 3) <b>OR</b> Teacher planning/staff development make-up day & student holiday <i>{Student &amp; 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, 185-, 190-, 193-, &amp; 200-day staff holiday if not weather make-up day}</i>
April 2–6	M–F	Spring break (Student/staff holidays) <i>{Student &amp; 174-, 175-, 180-, 181-, 185-, 190-, 193-, 200-, 210-, 220-, &amp; 230-day staff holidays}</i>
April 6	F	Spring holiday <i>{12-month staff holiday}</i>
May 21–23	M–W	HS early release for exams
May 23	W	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL/End of 2nd semester [Day 180]
May 24 & 25	Th & F	<b>Required</b> teacher post-planning/staff development [#9 & #10] <i>{190-day staff}</i>
May 28	M	Memorial Day (Staff holiday) <i>{All staff holiday}</i>

## Required Teacher Planning/Staff Development Days for 2017–18

July 31, Aug. 1–4, Oct. 9, Jan. 3, Feb. 19, May 24 and 25  
*Make-up day, if needed:*  
 March 23

## Beginning and Ending Dates for Staff for 2017–18

174-day staff	8-7-17 to 5-18-18
175-day staff	8-4-17 to 5-18-18
180-day staff	8-7-17- to 5-23-18
181-day staff	8-4-17 to 5-23-18
185-day staff	7-31-17 to 5-23-18
190-day staff	7-31-17 to 5-25-18
193-day staff	7-25-17 to 5-24-18
200-day staff	7-24-17 to 6-4-18
210-day staff	7-24-17 to 6-11-18
220-day staff—	
ES & MS admin. asst.	7-10-17 to 6-11-18
Other 220-day staff	7-24-17 to 6-25-18
230-day staff	7-10-17 to 6-25-18
12-month staff	7-3-17 to 6-29-18

## 12-Month Employee Holidays for 2017–18

July 4, Sept. 4, Nov. 23–24, Dec. 22–29, Jan. 1, Jan. 15, April 6, and May 28

### Inclement Weather Make-up Days:

If school is cancelled for inclement weather, students and school staff will make up additional days as follows: First day missed, make up on February 23; second day missed, make up on March 9; and third day missed, make up on March 23. Unused inclement weather make-up days will be student holidays. **GCPS will make up any additional inclement weather days beyond the three accounted for in the calendar by extending the school day or year.**

### Planning/Staff Development Days:

Throughout the school year, teachers are scheduled to work 10 planning/staff development days— July 31, August 1–4, October 9, January 3, February 19, and May 24 and 25. If March 23 is not needed as an inclement weather make-up day, it may be used as a planning/staff development make-up day if teachers are unable to work on one of the scheduled planning/staff development days (#1–#8). Should additional planning make-up days be needed, then the planned days would be added to the end of the school calendar.