

FACES *of the* **FUTURE**

2025-26 | **CMSD** Academic Calendar

Welcome to the **2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR!**

As we embark on our new academic journey, we are proud of the progress we are making in *Building Brighter Futures*, our ambitious endeavor to right-size the District and provide a high-quality and equitable education for all our scholars. As you explore this calendar and plan for the school year ahead, we invite you to join us on this exciting journey. At the end of the *Building Brighter Futures*, CMSD will be able to ensure that every student has access to more and better academic and extracurricular opportunities, and that every school building is warm, safe, and dry.

Our Faces of the Future show that nothing is impossible when it comes to our students' pathway to progress and success. We are significantly improving our overall student experience and outcomes while we work to ensure long-term financial sustainability. With your help, we know we will succeed!

Familiarize yourself with our Goals and Guardrails and CMSD's Core Values, which are at the heart of everything we are doing in the district.

Thank you for being a part of the CMSD family and helping us Build Brighter Futures for the years to come.

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To CMSD Families, Friends and Supporters:

It is my pleasure to welcome you to another exciting academic year at CMSD! As we continue to spotlight the **Faces of CMSD**, we are proud to celebrate the incredible talents, passions, and achievements of our scholars across the district.

From competing on award-winning robotics teams to growing hydroponic lettuce in our school gardens performing in powerful theatrical productions, our students are thriving in environments that nurture curiosity, creativity, and confidence. Throughout this calendar, you'll find vibrant photos that showcase the **Faces of CMSD**, real students, real stories, and real success. These are the moments that make learning meaningful and memorable.

This academic year marks the beginning of many transformations, as we launch our uniform calendar across nearly all District schools. This is a key step in aligning our schools and resources to best serve all students, ensuring consistency and equity in learning time and opportunities.



Dr. Warren G. Morgan II
Chief Executive Officer

“We believe that every scholar deserves the opportunity to explore, grow, and shine. That’s why Building Brighter Futures is more than a campaign; it’s a promise.”

Our CMSD Executive Leadership Team, in collaboration with our School Board, has developed clear Goals and Guardrails to guide our progress and ensure that every decision we make supports student success.

We believe that every scholar deserves the opportunity to explore, grow, and shine. That’s why **Building Brighter Futures** is more than a campaign; it’s a promise. A promise to provide every student with the tools, experiences, and support they need to thrive. That is why we need your input to make these decisions together. Your voice matters.

Thank you for your continued partnership and support. Together, we are shaping a future full of possibilities for every child, in every classroom, every day.

Sincerely,

Dr. Warren G. Morgan II
CEO, Cleveland Metropolitan School District



Board of Education

The CMSD Board of Education is made up of nine voting members appointed by the Mayor of Cleveland from a slate of nominees selected by a local nominating panel, established under State law. Scan the QR code to the right to view information about the board members and upcoming meeting dates and locations.

Sara Elaquad, J.D.
Board Chair

Jerry Terrell Billups
Robert W. Briggs, J.D.
Charlene Jones

Pastor Ivory Jones III
Midori Lebrón
Caroline J. Peak
Nigamanth Sridhar, Ph.D.
Diana Welch Howell

Ex Officio Members
Michael A. Baston, Ed.D., J.D.
Laura Bloomberg, Ph.D.

GOALS & Guardrails



GOALS

THE GOALS are designed to directly impact what students *know and can do*, guiding our focus toward tangible, measurable academic outcomes.

GOAL 1 – Early Literacy: The percentage of 3rd graders who are proficient in ELA will increase from 35% in August 2024 to 60% by August 2030.

GOAL 2 – Math Proficiency: The percentage of first time test takers who are proficient in Algebra 1 will increase from 26% in August 2024 to 50% by August 2030.

GOAL 3 – College/Career Readiness: The percentage of graduating cohort who meet at least one college ready indicator — ACT/SAT College Ready, Honors Diploma, AP/IB College Ready, or 12+ college credits — will increase from 8.2% in August 2024 to 25% by August 2030.

GUARDRAILS

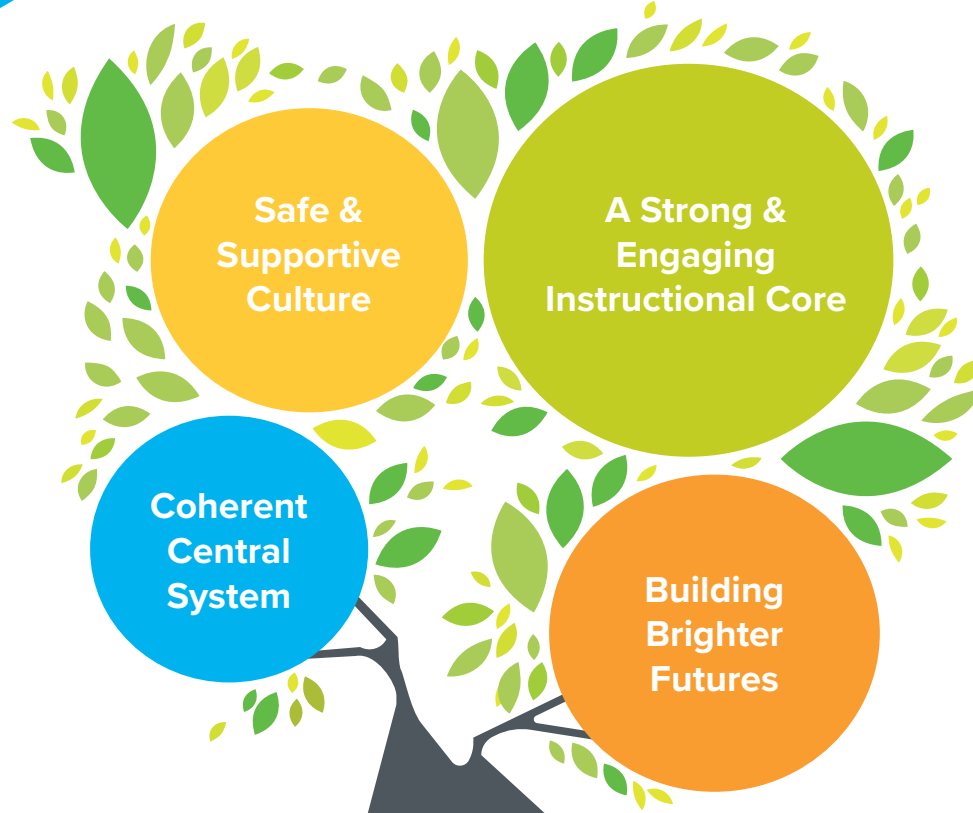
THE GUARDRAILS describe the non-negotiable values the school system must honor while allowing freedom to pursue the goals.

GUARDRAIL 1 – Safety/Well-Being: The CEO shall not fail to promote safety within CMSD facilities, along with physical and mental well-being for all students.

GUARDRAIL 2 – Opportunity & Access: The CEO shall not implement an academic program that fails to provide access to artistic, athletic, and career preparation opportunities for all students.

GUARDRAIL 3 – Community Engagement: The CEO shall not make significant changes to the operation of the district without meaningful ways for the community to provide input.

Strategic Priorities



Core Values



EQUITY & INCLUSION



STUDENT & COMMUNITY FOCUSED



GROWTH & LEARNING



CARE & WELL-BEING



EXCELLENCE & ACHIEVEMENT



Building **Brighter** FUTURES

PATHWAY TO SUSTAINABLE STUDENT SUCCESS

CMSD is investing in our schools to **Build Brighter Futures** for ALL scholars!

CMSD's long-term facilities planning process – known as **Building Brighter Futures** – enables the community to strategically invest in our schools, ensuring access to high-quality education in buildings fit for our scholars.

With Building Brighter Futures:

- EVERY CMSD high school offers college credit and pathways connected to good jobs.
- ALL K-8 schools offer at least one additional class like band, choir, or computer science.
- MORE athletics and clubs will be available at all schools, such as basketball, chess, or robotics.
- 100% of students learn in warm, safe, and dry buildings.
- Wraparound supports continue at EVERY school, with a focus on mental and physical health.



Learn more:

ClevelandMetroSchools.org/Building-Brighter-Futures

Important CONTACTS

Anonymous Safety Hotline 216.838.SAFE

Attendance.....	216.838.0220
Back-to-School Hotline	216.838.3675
Customer Care / Call Center	216.838.0000
Early Childhood Education & Literacy Office	216.838.0110
Family & Community Engagement	216.838.FACE (3223)
• CMSD Electronic Gradebook	216.838.3223
• Parent Leadership Organizations.....	216.838.0336
• Parent University.....	216.838.5994
• Volunteers Make a Difference	216.838.0337
Food & Child Nutrition Services	216.838.0441
Gifted Education & Advanced Placement	216.838.0131
Humanware/Social Emotional Learning	216.838.0148
Integrated Health	216.838.0195
• Occupational Therapy Physical Therapy	216.838.1962
• Speech Pathology Audiology.....	216.838.2979
• Nursing & Health Services	216.838.0153
• Psychological Services	216.838.0280

Interscholastic Athletics & Student Activities.....	216.838.0150
IT & Technology Support.....	216.838.0440
Multilingual Multicultural Education Office	216.838.6972
Ombudsman Office.....	216.838.0090
Project ACT: Support for Homeless Students.....	216.838.0210
Safety & Security Emergency.....	216.838.7777
School Choice & Enrollment Office	216.838.ENRL (3675)
Special Education.....	216.838.7733
• Home Instruction	216.838.0209
• Parent Mentors.....	216.838.0344
• Preschool Assessment Clinic	216.838.1965
• Evaluations & Child Find.....	216.838.0280
Student Hearings & Appeals.....	216.838.0324
Transcripts (contact graduating school) or call.....	216.838.3675
Transportation Hotline	216.838.4BUS (4287)
Work Permits	216.838.0323

Staying CONNECTED

CMSD Online



ClevelandMetroSchools.org

The CMSD website and social media sites are your online resources to keep connected.

- The latest CMSD news
- Parents resources & announcements
- Department directory
- CMSD event calendar
- Links to school pages
- Newsletter signup
- Translation resources
- Transportation information
- Breakfast & lunch menus
- Videos, vodcasts, livestream links & much more!

Connect with us on social media:



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CMSDCommunications



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TRACK GRADES / MONITOR ATTENDANCE

216.304.8473 for more
information, or go to
**[ClevelandMetroSchools.org/
ElectronicGradebook](http://ClevelandMetroSchools.org/ElectronicGradebook)**



Check out our Vodcast featuring Dr. Morgan and the District's most influential voices: our scholars, parents, and educators! Go to **ClevelandMetroSchools.org/DistrictDish** to watch all the episodes.

SPORTS & EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Enhance the School Experience



Participation in interscholastic and extracurricular activities has a direct, positive impact on a student's academic performance, attendance and personal and social development.

CMSD students in grades 1-12 have access to a host of clubs, competitive sports and extracurricular field trips to meet the diverse interests of every child.

Explore your school's athletic and student activity offerings to maximize your child's academic experience.

ClevelandMetroSchools.org/Athletics

216.838.0150

Interscholastic Athletics

6th, 7th and 8th Grade

- Basketball (Boys and Girls)
- Soccer (Co-ed)
- Track (Boys and Girls)
- Volleyball (Girls)

High School

- Basketball (Boys and Girls)
- Baseball
- Bowling (Co-ed)
- Cross-Country (Boys and Girls)
- Flag Football (Girls)
- Football
- Golf (Co-ed)
- Rugby (Girls)
- Soccer (Co-ed)
- Softball
- Swimming (Boys and Girls)
- Tennis (Boys and Girls)
- Track (Boys and Girls)
- Volleyball (Boys and Girls)
- Wrestling (Boys and Girls)

Student Activities

1st-5th Grade

- Non-Traditional Extracurricular Field Trips
- Special Olympics
- Crescendo (orchestra)
- Choir
- Beginner Band

6th, 7th and 8th Grade

- Cheerleader, Hi-Stepper/Dance
- Chess
- Intramural Activities
- Prep Band
- Orchestra
- Special Olympics
- Choir

High School

- Cheerleader, Hi-Stepper/Dance and Military Drill
- Chess
- Powerlifting
- Orchestra
- Choir
- Esports
- Intramural Activities
- Special Olympics
- Jazz Band
- All-City Arts



Hydroponic Harvest

Dike School of the Arts

First graders celebrated their first hydroponic lettuce harvest! With guidance from FoodCorps and Fork Farms, students explored teamwork, healthy eating, and the joy of growing their own food. Dike is one of 14 schools across the district now operating hydroponic systems. Congresswoman Shontel Brown (OH-11) and Cleveland City Councilmember Richard Starr (Ward 5) joined the celebration, presenting awards and witnessing the students' first successful harvest.



July

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
REMINDER: CHECK YOUR CMSD HIGH SCHOOL START DATE! Incoming freshmen and qualifying residents MUST BE ENROLLED ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL to be eligible for a Say Yes Scholarship upon graduation. ALL ATHLETIC PHYSICALS MUST BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO THE START OF SCHOOL.	30	1	2	3	4 Independence Day (Facilities Closed)	5
6	7	8	9	10	11 End of K-5 Summer Learning	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 End of High School Summer Learning	19
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For up-to-date event information,
visit our online calendar.



Bringing Vision to Life

Whitney M. Young PreK-8 School

Thanks to a \$50,000 grant from the Cavaliers Community Foundation and Kaulig Giving, nearly a dozen scholars received free eye exams and glasses. Through the Vision to Learn initiative, over 300 CMSD scholars will benefit from free vision screenings and glasses.



August

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<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>School Begins for Downtown Education Center & The School of One</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>2025 Summer Commencement 6 pm @ Arnold R. Pinkney EPC</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>
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<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>First Day of School for All Start of Marking Period 1; Semester 1 Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA) Aug 18 – Sep 29</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Board Business Meeting* 6:30 pm</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>First Day of Kindergarten</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24</p> <p>31</p>	<p>25</p> <p>iReady – Reading and Math Aug 25 – Sep 26; Grades K-3 Aug 25 – Sep 12; Grades 4-8 NWEA Tests Aug 25 – Sep 12 High School</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>
			<p>Pre-K Phase In</p>			

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Healthcare Exploration at Cleveland Clinic

Almira PreK-8 School

Scholars from Almira explored careers in healthcare during an immersive visit to the Cleveland Clinic. They rotated through simulation stations where they practiced drawing blood, learned how to STOP THE BLEED, dressed for surgery, and even tried minor surgical procedures. This hands-on experience brought healthcare careers to life and sparked curiosity among future medical professionals.



September

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31	1 National Attendance Awareness Month Labor Day (Facilities Closed)	2 First Day of Preschool	3	4	5	6																																										
7	8	9 Board Work Session* 6:30 pm	10 High School Open House 6 – 8 pm (Early Dismissal)	11 PreK-8 Open House 6 – 8 pm (Early Dismissal)	12	13																																										
14	15 National Hispanic American Heritage Month Sept 15 – Oct 15	16	17	18 20th Annual Fathers Walk @ Various Schools	19 Kindergarten Teacher Professional Development (No school for K Students)	20																																										
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28	29	30 Cleveland Goes to College Fair 9 am – 2 pm @ Arnold R. Pinkney EPC	1	2 SAY YES! CLEVELAND SUPPORT SERVICES/ SCHOLARSHIPS FREE college and trade school tuition scholarships for four-year CMSD grads! Go to SayYesCleveland.org to learn more.	<div>AUGUST 2025</div> <table> <tr><td>S</td><td>M</td><td>T</td><td>W</td><td>T</td><td>F</td><td>S</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td></tr> <tr><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td></tr> <tr><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td></tr> <tr><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td></tr> </table>		S	M	T	W	T	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
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Tuskegee Airmen Portrait Exhibition

Cleveland School of the Arts

Scholars at the Cleveland School of the Arts honored local Tuskegee Airmen through a powerful portrait project. After weeks of research at the Western Reserve Historical Society Library, students painted portraits that were later showcased at the school. The portraits will also be on display at other locations throughout the city, including the Justice Center. The project is part of the Cleveland Heroes Project in partnership with the North Coast Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen Inc.



October

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SEPTEMBER 2025 S M T W T 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	29 Say Yes! Cleveland SUPPORT SERVICES/ SCHOLARSHIPS FREE college and trade school tuition scholarships for four-year CMSD grads! Go to SayYesCleveland.org to learn more.	30	1 Principal Appreciation Month National Walk to School Day Say Yes application open for seniors starting Oct 1	2 Yom Kippur	3	4
5	6	7 Robert Bump Taylor Boys & Girls Cross Country Championship 4 pm	8 Desiree M. Powell Girls Volleyball Championship 6 pm	9 Girls Tennis Championship 1 pm @ Jefferson Park	10 Fall Break (Schools Closed/ Facilities Open)	11 CMSD Fathers Matter Session 10 am – 12:30 pm @ Arnold R. Pinkney EPC
12	13 Columbus Day Día de los pueblos indígenas	14 Board Work Session* 6:30 pm	15 Senate Co-Ed Golf Championship 11 am PSAT/NMSQT Grades 9, 10 & 11 October 14-17	16	17	18
19	20 National School Bus Safety Week Diwali Start of Second Marking Period	21	22 Ohio State Test (OST) Oct 20-24 Grade 3 Only	23	24 PreK Teacher Professional Development (No school for PreK Students)	25
26	27	28 Board Business Meeting* 6:30 pm	29 K-8 Parent Teacher Conferences 12:30 – 7:00 pm (No School for K-8 Students)	30 HS Parent Teacher Conferences 12:30 – 7:00 pm (No School for High School Students)	31 Halloween	NOVEMBER 2025 S M T W T 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

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Cooking Up Careers: Pathways to Success

The Executive Grille at East Technical High School

Scholars in the Cleveland Culinary Arts Program at East Technical High School gain hands-on experience through a three-year curriculum, running both front and back-of-house stations at student-run The Executive Grille. Students build skills in culinary techniques, customer service, safety, sanitation, leadership, and event planning while in high school and will prepare to enter the workforce or culinary school after graduation. Originally launched in 1998, The Executive Grille moved to its current location in 2023, transforming East Tech's former pool into a vibrant, student-run restaurant.



November

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<p>2</p> <p>Daylight Saving Time Ends (Set clocks back one hour and change batteries in smoke alarms)</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Election Day</p> <p>School Professional Development Day (No School for Students)</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Board Work Session* 6:30 pm</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>CMSD Fathers Matter Session 10 am – 12:30 pm @ Arnold R. Pinkney EPC</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>National School Psychology Week</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Veterans Day (Facilities closed)</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>
<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Board Business Meeting* 6:30 pm</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Destination HBCU College Fair 9 am – 2 pm @ John Hay Campus Gymnasium</p> <p>Multilingual College & Career Day</p>	<p>22</p>
<p>23 30</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Thanksgiving Break (Schools Closed, Facilities Open)</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Thanksgiving Day (Facilities Closed)</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Thanksgiving Break (Facilities Closed)</p>	<p>29</p>
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CEO for a Day

Victorious, a bright scholar from AB Hart, stepped into the spotlight when she became CEO for a Day. With CEO Dr. Warren Morgan by her side, she attended meetings with the Student Advisory Committee and principals and gained a firsthand look at leadership in action.

When asked about her experience, she smiled and said, “It was cool, but there were lots of meetings.”



December

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	1 Ohio State Test (OST) 1st Time Testers at Block Schedule Schools and Retakes Dec 1-19 Grades 9-12	2 National Special Education Day Board Work Session* 6:30 pm	3	4	5 Kindergarten Teacher Professional Development (No school for K Students)	6 CMSD Fathers Matter Session 10 am – 12:30 pm @ Arnold R. Pinkney EPC
7	8	9 Board Business Meeting* 6:30 pm	10 All-City Winter Concert 6:30 pm @ East Tech High School	11	12 PreK Teacher Professional Development (No school for PreK Students)	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 End of Second Marking Period; Semester 1	20
			Hanukkah			
21 Winter Solstice	22	23	24 Christmas Eve (Facilities Close at Noon)	25 Christmas Day (Facilities Closed)	26 (Facilities Closed)	27
	Hanukkah		Winter Break (Schools Closed)		Kwanzaa	
28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve	1	NOVEMBER 2025	JANUARY 2026
	Kwanzaa	Winter Break (All Schools Closed)		<div> <div>SUPPORT SERVICES/ SCHOLARSHIPS</div> <div> Say Yes! Cleveland </div> <div> FREE college and trade school tuition scholarships for four-year CMSD grads! Go to SayYesCleveland.org to learn more. </div> </div>	S M T W T 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	S M T W T 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

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Future Healthcare Leaders

Lincoln-West School of Science and Health

Scholars from Lincoln-West proudly don their white coats during the annual White Coat Ceremony, celebrating their commitment to healthcare. As one of the first high schools located within a hospital, this pioneering program, in partnership with the MetroHealth System, immerses students in real-world learning through both on-campus and community-based experiences in science, health, and medicine. With pathways from patient care to IT, marketing, and engineering, students are empowered to shape their futures and uplift their communities.



January

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4	Classes Resume 5 Start of Third Marking Period; Semester 2 iReady – Reading and Math Jan 5–23 (Grades K-8) NWEA Tests Jan 5–23 (High School) NAEP Jan 5 – Mar 6 (Grades 4, 8, HS)	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 2026 Board Organization Meeting/Work Session* 6:30 pm	14	15	16	17 CMSD Fathers Matter Session 10 am – 12:30 pm @ Arnold R. Pinkney EPC
18	19 Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Facilities Closed)	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 International Holocaust Remembrance Day Board Business Meeting* 6:30 pm	28 Bowling Championship 3 pm @ Rollhouse	29	30 PreK Teacher Professional Development (No school for PreK Students)	31 Say Yes! Cleveland SUPPORT SERVICES/ SCHOLARSHIPS FREE college and trade school tuition scholarships for four-year CMSD grads! Go to SayYesCleveland.org to learn more.

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The Art of STEAM: Ribbon Dancers in Motion

Orchard STEAM School

Scholars showcased their talents with a vibrant dance performance that beautifully blended movement, creativity, and STEAM learning. Through dance, these young scholars are gaining confidence, teamwork skills, and a deeper understanding of the arts in education.



February

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1 Black History Month	2 National School Counselor Week Ohio English Language Proficiency Assessment (OELPA/Alt-OELPA) Feb 2 – Mar 20	3	4 K-8 Parent-Teacher Conferences (Early release for students, extended day for teachers) Senate Co-Ed Swimming Championship 5 pm @ Cudell Rec Center	5 HS Parent-Teacher Conferences (Early release for students, extended day for teachers)	6 Leonard B. Jackson Basketball Championships Girls – 5:30 pm Boys – 7 pm @ Arnold R. Pinkney EPC	7 CMSD Fathers Matter Session 10 am – 12:30 pm @ Arnold R. Pinkney EPC																																																																																				
8	9	10 Harrison Dillard Indoor Track Championship 3 pm Board Work Session* 6:30 pm	11	12	13 District Professional Development (No School for Students)	14 Valentine's Day																																																																																				
15	16 Washington's Birthday (Facilities Closed)	17 Ramadan Begins	18 Ash Wednesday	19	20	21 Senate Wrestling Championship 10 am @ Arnold R. Pinkney EPC																																																																																				
22	23 Alternate Assessment for Students with Significant Cognitive Disabilities (AASCD) Feb 23 – Apr 17	24 Board Business Meeting* 6:30 pm	25	26	27	28																																																																																				
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Curtain Up! Celebrating Young Talent Across the District

Campus International PreK-8 School

Campus International PreK-8 School scholars made waves with a joyful and creative production of *Finding Nemo*, capturing the heart of Disney Musicals in Schools. They were one of ten schools across the district that brought Disney stories to life.

Adding to the excitement, **All-City Arts** delivered a show-stopping rendition of *Chicago: The Teen Edition*. Each year, this program brings Broadway to our students, and this year's production was nothing short of spectacular.



March

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 National Women's History Month	2	3 Purim	4 Holi	5	6	7 CMSD Fathers Matter Session 10 am – 12:30 pm @ Arnold R. Pinkney EPC
8 Daylight Saving Time Begins (Set clocks ahead one hour and change batteries in smoke alarms)	9	10 Board Work Session* 6:30 pm	11	12	13 End of Third Marking Period Cheer Competition & Hi-Stepper / Military Drill Competition 6 pm @ Arnold Pinkney EPC	14 Pi Day
15	16 Start of Marking Period 4	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19 Ramadan Ends	20 First Day of Spring PreK Teacher Professional Development (No school for PreK Students) All-City Musical @ Playhouse Square	21 All-City Musical @ Playhouse Square
22 All-City Musical @ Playhouse Square	23	24	25 Spring Break (Schools Closed Mar 23-27)	26	27	28
29 Palm Sunday	30 Classes Resume	31 Board Business Meeting* 6:30 pm	1	2 SUPPORT SERVICES/ SCHOLARSHIPS Say Yes! Cleveland FREE college and trade school tuition scholarships for four-year CMSD grads! Go to SayYesCleveland.org to learn more.	FEBRUARY 2026 S M T W T 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	APRIL 2026 S M T W T 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

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CMSD Middle School Robotics Teams Rise to the Challenge

In its inaugural year, CMSD launched 14 middle school robotics teams with plans to grow to 20 teams in the 2025-26 school year. Both Valley View Boys' and Douglas MacArthur Girls' Leadership Academies made history by competing at the State Robotics Championship against high school teams and placing 19th and 20th out of 36 teams. These young innovators are paving the way for a bright future in STEM.



April

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<p>5</p> <p>Easter</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Ohio State Tests (OST) Apr 6 – 24</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Passover</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Kindergarten Teacher Professional Development (No school for K Students)</p>	<p>11</p> <p>CMSD Fathers Matter Session 10 am – 12:30 pm @ Arnold R. Pinkney EPC</p>
<p>12</p> <p>Orthodox Easter</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Holocaust Remembrance Day</p> <p>CMSD Volunteer Appreciation at BOE meeting 5:30 - 7 pm</p> <p>Board Work Session* 6:30 pm</p>	<p>15</p> <p>K-8 Parent-Teacher Conferences (Early release for students, extended day for teachers)</p>	<p>16</p> <p>HS Parent-Teacher Conferences (Early release for students, extended day for teachers)</p>	<p>17</p> <p>PreK Teacher Professional Development (No School for PreK Students)</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Earth Day</p> <p>Volunteer Appreciation Week</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Board Business Meeting* 6:30 pm</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>

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Action Against Gun Violence

Miles Park PreK-8 School

Miles Park scholars participated in the National Day Against Gun Violence by taking a powerful pledge against violence and promoting safety in their community. The event emphasized awareness, responsibility, and advocacy, empowering students to lead positive change. Through their actions, these young leaders showed their commitment to building a safer, more informed, and peaceful future.



May

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3	4 National Teacher Appreciation Week	5 Cinco de Mayo Jesse Owens Outdoor Track Championship 3 pm	6 National Nurses Day	7	8	9
10 Mother's Day	11 iReady – Reading and Math May 11–22 (Grades K-3)	12 Board Work Session* 6:30 pm	13 Northeast Ohio HBCU Bound Day 6 – 8 pm @ Arnold Pinkney EPC	14	15 Multilingual Family Celebration Night	16
17	18	19 Board Business Meeting* 6:30 pm	20	21	22	23
24 31	25 Memorial Day (Facilities Closed)	26	27 Last Day for PreK Students	28 Last Day for All Students End of Fourth Marking Period; Second Semester	29	30

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Celebrating our Graduates

Seniors from 30 high schools across CMSD received their diplomas, marking a proud moment for the district. The 2024- 2025 valedictorians and salutatorians earned an impressive \$9.1 million in scholarships. The highest GPA in the district reached an outstanding 4.60.



June

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31	1 National Caribbean-American Heritage Month LGBTQIA Pride Month	2	3	4	5	6																																																																																																																														
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21 Father's Day Summer Solstice	22	23 Board Business Meeting* 6:30 pm	24	25	26	27																																																																																																																														
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