

**Dayspring Christian Academy**  
**2025-2026 School Year “List of Events” Calendar**  
*Last Revised 02/05/2026*

**June 2025**

- 5 New Family Orientation: 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
23-27 Ukulele Camp (Sally Armstrong, auditorium)

**July**

- 6-12 Discover Your Voice Camp (Julie Stone, auditorium)  
7-11 Creative Arts Camp (Bonnie Lucas, Art Room)  
14-18 Creative Arts Camp (Bonnie Lucas, Art Room)  
21-25 Creative Arts Camp- TBD (Bonnie Lucas, Art Room)

**August**

- 4 Summer Letters Mailed  
7 Fall Sports Parents Meeting: 6:30 p.m.  
12 6th Grade Student and Parent Orientation: 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
14 New Family Orientation for summer enrollees: 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
20 Lower School Back to School Night (Preschool–5th Grade)
  - Meet the Teacher Session 1: 5:30 p.m.
  - Meet the Teacher Session 2: 6:00 p.m.
  - Parents leave students in classrooms: 6:20 p.m.
  - Parent Meeting in Auditorium: 6:30 p.m.Students in classroom with teachers  
21 New International Student Orientation: 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.  
21 Upper School Back to School Night (6th-12th Grades)
  - Open House/Supply Drop Off: 5:30 p.m.–6:15 p.m.
  - Students report to home rooms: 6:20 p.m.
  - Parent Meeting in Auditorium: 6:30 p.m.
  - Students in classroom with teachers
  - Senior parent meeting follows meeting in auditorium  
25 First Day of School for PreK-Grade 12  
26 First Day of School for Preschool  
27 Sacred Convocation (All School)  
28 Parent Meeting for Juniors: 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

**September**

- 1 No School: Labor Day  
4-5 Upper School Retreat: Grades 6-12 at Refreshing Mountain Retreat  
Student arrival: 8:30 a.m. - Ends 9/5: 2:00 p.m.  
10 Upper School drop/add period ends  
16 Remember America Lecture Series (9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7)  
19-21 Lower School Musical  
23 Remember America Lecture Series (9/23, 9/30, 10/7)  
25 New Family Coffee with the Headmaster and Principals  
26 Flex Friday  
29 School Picture: Scheduled times in the morning  
30 Headmaster’s Oration Finalists Assembly (Grades 4-9)  
All School: 8:15-10:00 a.m.  
30 Remember America Lecture Series (9/30, 10/7)

**October**

- 1 Headmaster’s Oration Finalists Assembly (Grades 10-12)

	During Upper School Chapel
2	Fall Sub Sale Delivery Day
6	Oration Winners Filming
7	Remember America Lecture Series
10	Grandparents and Special Guests Day (GPD)
14	PSAT testing 8 am -12:15 pm (10th-11th grades (and some 9 <sup>th</sup> ))
15	Fall Open House: 4:00-6:00 p.m.
16	Women's Giving Circle Annual Meeting: 8:00-10:00 am (Auditorium)
24	Patriots Celebration (PC)
24	Last Day Quarter 1
27	PHEAA Financial Aid Webinar, 6:00-7:30 p.m.
27-31	9th Grade Boston/Plymouth Trip
31	Upper School Flex Friday

## November

6	Parent Teacher Conferences: 3:30-6:00 p.m.
7	No School: Parent-Teacher Conferences: 10:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
13	Picture Re-takes: 1:00 p.m.
13	Winter Sports Parents Meeting: 6:30 p.m.
20	Thanksgiving Exposed Prep and Dress Rehearsal
21	No School: Thanksgiving Exposed Event
25	Pilgrim Day: <b>No School for Preschool</b> <b>Pre-K and Kindergartens come to school!</b>
26-28	Thanksgiving Break

## December

1	School Resumes
15	Lower School Christmas Concert daytime rehearsal
16	Lower School Christmas Concert: Westminster Presbyterian, 6:30 p.m.
17	Upper School Christmas Concert daytime rehearsal
18	Upper School Christmas Concert: at DCA, 6:30 p.m.
19	Early Dismissal—Christmas Celebrations: School dismissed at 11:15 a.m.
19	Homecoming Basketball Game @ Columbia (Date Change)
22	Christmas Break Begins

## January 2026

5	School Resumes
5-9	Spirit Week
12-23	Upper School J-Term
16	Last Day Q2
19	No School for students: Martin Luther King Jr. Day
26	Q2 Report Cards released to parents

## February

5	Towne Meeting: 6:30 p.m. (Snow Date 2/12)
11	Pastor Appreciation Day (Snow Date 2/18)
12	Early Childhood Open House (Snow Date 2/19)
13	No school for students: Teacher Inservice
16	No School: President's Day
19	Kindergarten Testing

## February Continued

19	Mathletics: Mount Calvary Christian School
20	Mathletics

- 23 Lower School Speech Meet
- 26 Parent Teacher Conferences: 3:30-6:30 p.m.
- 26 Spring Sports Parents Meeting: 6:30 p.m.
- 27 Upper School Flex Friday

## March

- 4 High School Course Selection Deadline
- 10 Cairn Fine Arts Festival
- 12 All School Open House and Upper School Project Fair
- 13 No School
- 18 Student Visitation Day
- 19 Kindergarten Testing
- 24 Last Day Q3
- 26-29 Upper School Drama
- 27 Upper School Flex Friday
- 31-4/1 11th Grade New York City Field Study

## April

- 1 Q3 Report Cards released to parents
- 2-6 Easter Break
- 7 ASVAB Test – 10<sup>th</sup> Grade
- 7-9 Upper School Achievement Tests
- 9-17 Lower School Achievement Tests
- 9 Women's Giving Circle Lunch & Learn: 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.
- 9 Kindergarten Testing
- 9-10 10th grade Washington DC Field Study (Date Added)
- 13-16 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Creation Museum Field Study
- 17 RASS Rehearsal
- 18 Remember America Speaker Series, Lancaster County Convention Center  
Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Event begins at 6:00 p.m.
- 20-21 6<sup>th</sup> Grade History Field Study (DATE CHANGE)
- 22 MACSA Track and Field Meet (6th-12th Grade track/field athletes), All Day
- 23 Kindergarten Testing
- 23 Spring Sub Sale Delivery Day
- 23-24 8th Grade STEM New Jersey Field Study (DATE CHANGE)
- 24 Upper School Flex Friday
- 24 Seniors PEERS Test
- 27 LS Talent Show
- 28-5/1 Grade 3 Plymouth Field Study
- 29 CCAC Track and Field Championships (6th-12th grade track/field students), All Day
- 30 Kindergarten Testing

## May

- 4-6 Senior Thesis Defense (Date Change)
- 6 Spring Concert Rehearsal
- 7 Spring Concert: Manor Church, 6:30 p.m.
- 7 National Day of Prayer
- 7-8 Senior Finals (Date Change)
- 9 ECCS Track and Field Championships
- 9-22 Senior Field Study to Turkiye (Date Change)

## May Continued

- 14 Kindergarten Testing
- 15, 18 Junior Apprenticeship Shadowing Days

15	LS Field Day in the p.m. (Rain Date: 5/22)
19-21	9th-11th Grade Finals
21-22	5th Grade Overnight Field Study to New Jersey
21	Last Day Preschool; Preschool Graduation: 9:30 a.m.
22	SFE Blessing Day, Upper School
25	Memorial Day: No School
26-28	Shakespeare Study Days
27	Recognition Assemblies (Morning)
	Kindergarten Graduation: 1:00 p.m.
28	Evening Awards, invitation only
29	Shakespeare Festival
	Last Day of School ( <b>Full Day</b> )
29	Commencement Rehearsal: 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m.
29	Senior Dinner: 6:30 p.m. (Location and exact time TBA)
30	Saturday Commencement: <b>10:00 a.m.</b> – DCA Auditorium

## June 2026

4	New Family Orientation (for 2026-2027 school year)
5	Report Cards Available on FACTS by 3:00 pm