

**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 ( <b>Date Change</b> )
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 (**Full Day**)  
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: **10:00 a.m.** – DCA Auditorium

**June 2026**

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