

Jackson County Schools (JCPS)

2026-27 School Calendar - Jackson County, North Carolina

First Day of School	Wednesday, August 12, 2026
Winter Break	Dec 21, 2026 - Jan 4, 2027
Spring Break	Mar 22, 2027 - Mar 29, 2027
Last Day of School	Friday, May 21, 2027

Student Holidays & Days Off

Sep 7, 2026	Labor Day
Nov 11, 2026	Veterans Day
Nov 26, 2026	Thanksgiving Holiday
Nov 27, 2026	Thanksgiving Holiday
Dec 24, 2026	Christmas Holiday
Dec 25, 2026	Christmas Holiday
Dec 28, 2026	Holiday
Jan 1, 2027	New Year's Day
Jan 18, 2027	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Mar 26, 2027	Good Friday

Note: Board approved 1/20/26; master calendar PDF linked from the 2026-2027 School Calendar link on jcpsnc.org. Mountain district - students begin Aug 12. Last day May 21 is early release (12:00, SMHS 12:30); Dec 18 also early release. Winter break span is the full no-school-for-students period (Dec 21