# Maynard Public Schools 

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| October '23 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| November '23 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| December '23 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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(21 days)

## 2023-2024

Green Meadow School, 5 Tiger Dr (978) 897-8246 Fowler School, 3 Tiger Dr (978) 897-6700
Maynard High School, 1 Tiger Dr (978) 897-8891
Student Services Office, 3R Tiger Dr (978) 897-2138 Superintendent's Office, 3R Tiger Dr (978) 897-2222

## STARTING/END DATES

Aug 28 Teachers Return (PD)
Aug 29 Teachers Professional Development Day
Aug 30 First day of school for Grades K-12
Sep 5 First day for Preschool
Jun 7 Last day for Preschool
Jun 10 Last day for Kindergarten *
Jun 13 Tentative Last day of school Grades 1-12 *

* last day for $\mathrm{K}-12$ subject to change due to snow days

Jun 21 185th day of school
Jun 28 Potential Contingency Days

## NO SCHOOL - HOLIDAYS, VACATIONS, FULL DAY STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Sep 1 Labor Day Weekend
Sep 4 Labor Day
Oct 6 - No School - Teacher Professional Day
Oct 9 Indigenous Peoples' Day
Nov 10 Veterans' Day Observed
Nov 22-24 Thanksgiving Break
Dec 25-29 December Break
Jan 1 New Year's Day
Jan 15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Feb 19-23 February Break
Mar 5 - No School - Presidential Primary Election
Apr 15-19 Spring Break
May 27 Memorial Day
Jun 19 Juneteenth

## Please see back for observances

## EARLY RELEASE Days

Sep 22 Early Release - All Schools
Sep 29 Early Release - All Schools
Oct 20 Early Release - All Schools
Oct 27 Early Release - All Schools (GM \& FS Conferences)
Dec 8 Early Release - All Schools
Jan 26 Early Release - All Schools
Mar 15 Early Release - All Schools (GM Conferences)
May 10 Early Release - All Schools
May 17 Early Release - MHS ONLY (Senior Project Day)
May 24 Early Release - All Schools

Senior's last day - May 30
Graduation - June 7

January '24

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| April '24 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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June '24

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School Committee Meetings are held twice a month. See https://www.maynard.k12.ma.us/page/school-committee for more information.

| PARENT CONFERENCES |  |  |  |
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| Green Meadow | Oct 26 evening, Oct 27 afternoon March 14 evening, March 15 afternoon |  |  |
| Fowler School | Oct 26 evening, Oct 27 afternoon |  |  |
| STARTING AND DISMISSAL SCHEDULE |  |  |  |
| School | Start | End | Early Dismissal |
| Preschool AM | 8:40 a.m. | 11:10 a.m. | No Preschool |
| Preschool PM | 12:10 p.m. | 2:40 p.m. | No Preschool |
| Preschool Full Day | 8:40 a.m. | 2:40 p.m. | No Preschool |
| Green Meadow | 8:30 a.m. | 2:50 p.m. | 11:45 a.m. |
| Fowler School | 8:05 a.m. | 2:25 p.m. | 11:15 a.m. |
| High School | 7:45 a.m. | 2:05 p.m. | 10:55 a.m. |

## SCHOOL HANDBOOKS

https://www.maynard.k12.ma.us/page/handbooks
STUDENT ABSENTEE PHONE NUMBERS
Green Meadow 978-897-0310
Fowler School 978-897-6700 \#1
High School 978-897-8891 \#3

## SCHOOL CLOSING/DELAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements are made at approximately 5:30 a.m. Sent by Phone Call and Email
TV: WBZ (4), WCVB (5), WHDH (7), FOX 25
KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION
January 9, 10 and 11, 2024 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
January 10, 2024 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Dates and Times are subject to change.
MAJOR RELIGIOUS \& CULTURAL HOLIDAYS

| *Sep 15-17 | 2023 | Rosh Hashanah |
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| *Sep 24-25 | 2023 | Yom Kippur |
| Oct 31 | 2023 | Halloween |
| ** Nov 12 | 2023 | Diwali |
| *Dec 7-15 | 2023 | Hanukkah |
| Dec 25 | 2023 | Christmas |
| Dec 26-Jan 1 2023 | Kwanzaa |  |
| Jan 7 | 2024 | Orthodox Christmas |
| Feb 10 | 2024 | Lunar New Year |
| *Mar 10-Apr 9 | 2024 | Ramadan |
| Mar 29 | 2024 | Good Friday |
| Mar 31 | 2024 | Easter |
| *Apr 9-10 | 2024 | Eid al-Fitr |
| *Apr 22-30 | 2024 | Passover |
| May 5 | 2024 | Orthodox Easter |
| *Jun 16-17 | 2024 | Eid al-Adha |

* Observances begin at sundown on the first day noted.
** Celebrations may occur on days preceding and following this date
(a request for additional observances to be added to this list can be emailed to candrade@maynard.k12.ma.us)
For more information please click the below links:
Massachusetts's Legal Holidays
Full Interfaith Calendar
Religious Holidays Permitting Pupil Absence From School


## HOMEWORK POLICIES

## Policy IKB - HOMEWORK

The Maynard School Committee recognizes the value of continued learning outside of the classroom and the importance of developing good study habits. Therefore, we encourage the use of homework as a means to that end. However, homework should be an outgrowth of and preparation for class activities; a vehicle to develop or reinforce skills and knowledge.
School handbooks will contain a copy of this policy, grade-appropriate time allotments, and other relevant information.

## Frequency of Homework:

Vacations - K-12: Homework will not be assigned with the expectation that it be worked on and/or completed during any school vacations. Longterm projects assigned before a vacation cannot have a due date earlier than the 2 days following vacation.
Long Weekends - K-12: Homework will not be assigned over long weekends, including those due to religious holidays and those marked by a district-wide closing. When there is no school on Monday, in-class assessments will not be scheduled earlier than the following Wednesday.
Mid-year Exams and Assessments - High School Only: No assessments or homework will be given during the mid-year week, except for homework directly related to exam or assessment preparation.
MCAS - Grades 3-10: Nights prior to MCAS testing are to be homeworkfree.
Religious Holidays - K-12: For practices related to religious holidays, please refer to policy IMD.

Policy IMD - SCHOOL CEREMONIES \& OBSERVANCES (abridged)
The observance of religious holidays is not the responsibility of the public schools.

While it is recognized that many activities are initiated with the approach of major holidays in order to capitalize on the readiness and interest that is generated at these times, it should be understood that such occasions frequently have religious underpinnings. Care should be taken to relate only to secular aspects of these holidays.
Music programs given at times close to religious holidays should not use religious aspects of these holidays as the underlying motive or theme. Although religious music is appropriate in the schools to the extent that it is sung or presented for musical rather than religious content, its use should not violate the secular nature of the school. Pageants, plays, recitals, and other literary or dramatic activities should not be used to convey religious messages. While the holidays represent a valid source of ideas for meaningful school art experiences, teachers should avoid assigning or encouraging artwork that promotes religious aspects of such holidays. If, however, individual students choose to use a religious personage, event, or symbol as the vehicle for artistic expression, they should be allowed to take this action.
Full policy can be found here

## Policy IMD-1 TOLERANCE OF RELIGIOUS BELIEFS AND CUSTOMS:

The Maynard school system will encourage all students and staff members to appreciate and be tolerant of each other's religious views and will use every opportunity available to foster understanding and mutual respect among students and parents whether it involves race, culture, economic background, or religious beliefs. In that spirit of tolerance, students and staff members will be excused from participating in practices that are contrary to their religious beliefs

