

2024-25 School Calendar

August 2024

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Aug. 1 - 2 -- Teacher Professional Development
Aug. 5 - 9 -- Pre-planning for Teachers (5 weekdays)
Aug. 12 -- School Begins - First Day for Students

December 2024

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Dec. 20 -- Student/ Teacher Holiday - FLEX DAY #2
Dec. 23 - Jan. 3 -- Winter Holidays (10 weekdays)

April 2025

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April 1 - April 11 -- State Writing Test Grades 4-10
April 8 -- Report Cards Available in Family Access
April 14 - May 30 -- Grades K-2 Reading & Math test (FAST) Testing Window

September 2024

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Sept. 2 -- Holiday - Labor Day
Sept. 17 -- Interim Reports Available in Family Access

January 2025

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Dec. 23 - Jan. 3 -- Winter Holidays
Jan. 6 -- Student/Teacher Holiday - FLEX DAY #1
Jan. 7 -- Classes Resume
Jan. 14 -- Start of Second Semester
Jan. 17 -- Student Holiday/ Teacher Workday
Jan. 20 -- Holiday - M. L. King, Jr.
Jan. 23 -- Report Cards Available in Family Access

May 2025

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May 6 - 10 -- National Teacher Appreciation Week
May 6 -- Interim Reports Available in Family Access
May 1 - 30 -- Grades 3-10 Reading test (FAST) Grades 3-8 Math test (FAST) End of Course (EOC) testing Grades 5 & 8 Science testing
May 26 -- Holiday - Memorial Day

October 2024

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Oct. 14 -- End of First Nine Weeks
Oct. 18 -- Holiday - UF Homecoming
Oct. 21 -- Student Holiday/Teacher Workday
Oct. 24 -- Report Cards Available in Family Access

February 2025

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Feb. 14 -- Student/ Teacher Holiday - FLEX DAY #3
Feb. 17 -- Student/ Teacher Holiday - President's Day
Feb. 25 -- Interim Reports Available in Family Access

June 2025

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June 3 -- Last Day for Students
June 4 - 5 -- Post-Planning
June 19 -- Juneteenth Holiday

November 2024

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Nov. 11 -- Holiday - Veterans Day
Nov. 21 -- Interim Reports Available in Family Access
Nov. 25-26 -- Student/Teacher Holidays
Nov. 27-29 -- Thanksgiving Holiday

March 2025

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Mar. 17 - 21 -- Spring Holidays (5 weekdays)
Mar. 28 -- End of Third Nine Weeks
Mar. 31 -- Student Holiday/Teacher Workday

July 2025

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July 4 -- Holiday - Fourth of July

These are the monthly early-release Wednesdays for all elementary schools AND High Springs Community, A. Quinn Jones, Sidney Lanier and Duval Early Learning.

August 21, 2024	October 16, 2024	December 18, 2024	February 19, 2025	April 16, 2025
September 18, 2024	November 20, 2024	January 15, 2025	March 26, 2025	May 21, 2025

REMEMBER!

When approaching a stopped school bus that has displayed a stop signal, you must stop and wait for the bus to withdraw its signal before proceeding. If there is a divided highway with an unpaved space of at least 5 feet, a raised median, or a physical barrier, a motorist who is traveling in the opposite direction of the bus is not required to stop.

- The district will utilize Flex Days if school must be cancelled for a hurricane or other emergency. The Flex Days will be utilized in the following order: January 6, December 20, February 14
- If more than three days of school are missed, the district may have to add minutes to the school day after utilizing the scheduled flex days.

Non-Discrimination Notice

Alachua County Public Schools does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, age, disability (Section 504/ACA), sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, genetics or legally-protected characteristics in its educational programs, services or activities, or in its hiring or employment practices. The district also provides equal access to its facilities to the Boy Scouts and other patriotic youth groups, as required by the Boy Scouts of America Equal Access Act.

The School Board designates the following individuals to serve as the district's 'compliance officers' (also known as the Civil Rights Coordinators), who shall also serve as the district's Section 504 Compliance Officers/ADA Coordinators and Title IX coordinators.

Questions, complaints or requests for additional information regarding discrimination or harassment may be sent to:
 Alisha Williams, 352-955-7713, williamsar@gm.sbac.edu (for employees)
 Dr. Toni Griffin, 352-955-7671, ext. 1610, griffints1@gm.sbac.edu
 Donald Reed, 352-955-7671, ext. 1661, reedd@gm.sbac.edu (for students).

Frequently Called Numbers

Adult Education	955-7035
Alachua County Public Schools Foundation	955-7250 x 6415
Board Agenda Information	955-7580
Career & Technical Education.....	955-6847
Communications and Community Initiatives	955-7545
Curriculum	955-7444
District Switchboard.....	955-7300
Exceptional Student Ed./Student Support Services	955-7671 x1600
Food Service.....	955-7539 x1560
GED	955-7795
Home School Information.....	955-7622
Human Resources/Personnel.....	955-7727
Safety and Security	955-7514
School Counseling	955-7671 x1604
Student Assignment/Zoning	955-7700
Testing	955-7699
Transportation.....	955-7602
Volunteer Business Partnership Program	955-7250 x 6411
VPK/HIPPY	955-6875



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Suspicious Activity Reporting App

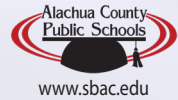
A Message from the Superintendent

Welcome to the 2024-25 school year!

We're happy to have your child in Alachua County Public Schools, where all of our teachers and staff are working hard to help all students learn, play and grow.

We are committed to supporting students academically, physically and emotionally, but of course engaged families are critical to their success.

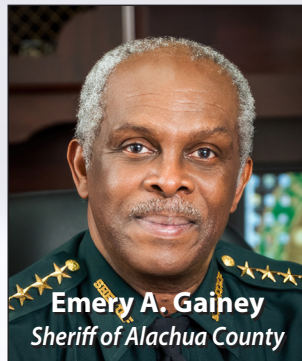
We hope this calendar will make it easier for you to stay up-to-date with your child's education. We've included important dates in the school year, including holidays and other days out of school, report card/interim report distribution dates, state testing windows and more. We've also included a list of frequently-called numbers at our district office if you need help.



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A Message from The Alachua County Sheriff's Office

Welcome to a new school year. Let's go over some quick safety topics.



Emery A. Gainey
 Sheriff of Alachua County

The internet is everywhere; on cell phones, computers, and even your gaming systems. While the internet can be incredibly useful for researching information, communicating with your friends or playing games, it has a dark side – criminals that prey on kids. Practice safe habits online such as never giving out any personal information on the internet.

Never talk to people online that you do not know well in real life. Do not go meet someone you met online. They might seem nice, but there is no guarantee that they are who they say they are. If someone online is making you feel uncomfortable, do not respond to them. Instead, go tell a trusted adult immediately. To learn more about staying safe online, visit NetSmartzKids, a program sponsored by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). NetSmartzKids has games,

I encourage families to share with their students the important safety message below from Sheriff Emery Gainey. We appreciate the Alachua County Sheriff's Office for sponsoring the calendar and the ongoing support of our many community partners for our schools, staff, and most of all, our students.



Shane Andrew
 Superintendent

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activities, and videos all specifically designed to teach you how to protect your privacy and safety online. Check it out at www.netsmartzkids.org. A companion site, www.nsteens.org, is geared towards older children and teenagers. NStEens contains videos, games, comics, and quizzes that address online safety and cyberbullying.

Get to know your school resource deputy. These highly-trained deputies are there not only to keep you safe, but to be a resource that you can turn to when you need help. They can also assist you with accessing some of the many programs offered through the Alachua County Sheriff's Office, such as Teen Driver Challenge, Teen Court, and the Explorers. They also lead the annual Washington, D.C., Safety Patrol Trip in June.

Bullying is not a joke and it is not tolerated in Alachua County Schools. If you are bullied, speak to a trusted adult or your school resource deputy. You can also report bullying to the district hotline at (352) 955-7200 or by emailing reportbullyingnow@gm.sbac.edu.

Let's work together to make the 2024-2025 school year the best yet!