Academic Year Calendar 2026–27

subject to change

August

24	House faculty/AOD training; new CA faculty/staff
25	Boarding council arrives
25–28	Faculty/staff meetings
27	Boarding orientation leaders arrive
28	Day orientation leaders arrive
29	New student registration and orientation; new boarding students move in; new and returning parent social
30	Orientation continues for new boarding students; returning boarding students registration and move in
31	Registration for returning day students; Convocation; start of first semester classes; athletic tryouts, mainstage auditions, and music placement hearings begin this week

September

4	Welcome back community block party
7	Labor Day; no classes; houses open; offices closed
12	SATs
18–20	Community Weekend
20	Yom Kippur begins at sundown; no required evening programming
21	Yom Kippur; no classes; houses open; offices open

October

3	SATs
5	PSATS (10th and 11th graders)
12	Indigenous Peoples' Day; no classes; houses open; offices closed
17	Admissions Open House

November

19–20	Family Weekend
20	Thanksgiving break begins following the conclusion of Family Weekend; boarding students depart by 8:00 p.m.
21–29	Thanksgiving break; no classes; houses closed
25–27	Offices closed
29	Boarding students return, 2:00–8:00 p.m.
30	First semester classes resume

December

5	SATs
17	End of first semester; day students depart; boarding community dinner followed by senior holiday chapel; mandatory for all seniors and boarding students
18	Winter break begins; boarding students depart between 5 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.; no classes; houses close; offices open

January

4	Faculty/staff professional development day; boarding students return 2:00–8:00 p.m.
5	Second semester classes begin
18	MLK Day; no classes; houses open; offices closed
22–24	Community Weekend

February

15	Presidents' Day; no classes; houses open; offices open

March

5	Spring break begins at 12:00 p.m.; students depart 12:00–6:00 p.m.; no classes; houses close; offices open through break
21	Boarding students return, 2:00–8:00 p.m.
22	Second semester classes resume
29	Revisit Day

April

2	Revisit Day
5	Revisit Day
19	Patriots' Day observed; no classes; houses open; offices closed
21	First evening of Passover; no required evening programming
29	Last evening of Passover; no required evening programming

May

1	SATs
17	Eid al-Adha; no classes; houses open; offices open
27	End of second semester, last day of assessments, baccalaureate performance
28	Commencement 10:00 a.m. boarding students depart between 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Religious Holiday Practice at CA

We have listed cultural, federal, or religious observances on the external calendar only if they impact school programming. For more dates and information on religious holidays, please see this resource at Harvard Divinity School.

At Concord Academy, we believe and affirm that all people have the right to exist as their most authentic selves, and we recognize the diverse population of students and adults in our community who observe religious and spiritual traditions. We strive to support all of our community members in the practice and celebration of their faiths, and empower students and adults to communicate when they need an adjustment to planned meetings and deadlines. We expect community members to honor those adjustments. These practices are deeply significant and restorative, and we ask for collaboration between faculty, staff, and students around accommodations to best support our students and colleagues in their observance.

Religious and Cultural Observances	**2026–27**
July	**Disability Pride Month**
Independence Day	Saturday, July 4
September	**Hispanic Heritage Month**
Labor Day	Monday, September 7
Rosh Hashanah	Friday, September 11 (at sundown)–Sunday, September 13
Yom Kippur	Sunday, September 20 (at sundown)–Monday, September 21
Mid-Autumn Festival	Friday, September 25
Sukkot	Friday, September 25 (at sundown)–Friday, October 2
October	**Hindu Heritage Month**
Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah	Friday, October 2 (at sundown)–Sunday, October 4
Indigenous Peoples' Day	Monday, October 12
November	**Native American Heritage Month**
Diwali	Sunday, November 8
Veterans Day	Friday, November 11 (observed)
Thanksgiving	Thursday, November 26; no classes
Hanukkah	Friday, December 4 (at sundown)–Saturday, December 12
Christmas Day	Friday, December 25
Kwanzaa	Saturday, December 26 - Friday, January 1
New Year's Day	Friday, January 1
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Monday, January 18
February	**Black History Month**
Lunar New Year	Saturday, February 6
Ash Wednesday	Wednesday, February 10
Presidents' Day	Monday, February 15
Tibetan New Year/Losar	Sunday, February 7–Tuesday, February 9
Ramadan	Sunday, February 7–Monday, March 8
March	**National National Women's History Month**
Eid al-Fitr	Tuesday, March 9 (begins at sundown)–Wednesday, March 10
Palm Sunday	Sunday, March 21
Good Friday	Friday, March 26
Easter	Sunday, March 28
April	**National Arab American Heritage Month**
Passover	Wednesday, April 21 (begins at sundown)–Thursday, April 29
Patriots' Day	Monday, April 19
May	**Asian Pacific American, Desi, & Jewish Heritage Month**
Eid al-Adha	Sunday, May 16 (begins at sundown)–Monday, May 17
Memorial Day	Monday, May 31
June	**LGBTQ+ Pride, Caribbean, & Immigrant Heritage Month**
Shavuot	Sunday, June 10 (begins at sundown)–Saturday, June 12
Juneteenth	Saturday, June 19