

2019-2020 GRPS EXTERNAL CALENDAR

(Revised 3/9/2020)

AUGUST - 2019

August 20	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
August 21-30	NWEA/MAP K-8 Testing (grades 9-10 optional)
August 23	NO SCHOOL
August 27	First day for Great Start Readiness Program Preschool
August 29	Football Season Opener - Ottawa Hills v Union
August 30	NO SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER - 2019

September 2	DISTRICT CLOSED - Labor Day
September 3-13	NWEA/MAP K-8 Testing (grades 9-10 optional)
September 3	First Day of LOOP Programming
September 20	Union High School Homecoming Football Game
September 27	Ottawa Hills Homecoming Football Game
September 28	Union Cross Country Invitational

OCTOBER - 2019

October 1	FAFSA Application Opens for 2019-20 (studentaid.gov/fafsa)
October 1	Theme School/Centers of Innovation Application Period Opens
October 2	COUNT DAY
October 5	Ottawa Hills Girls' Swim Invitational
October 5	Middle School Volleyball Invitational (@ Union)
October 14-18	PSAT 8/9
October 16	PSAT 10 and NMSQT 11
October 15	GRCC Dual Enrollment Application Due (Winter Semester)
October 19	Middle School Cross Country Regional (@ GRPS University)
October 22	Middle School Football Championship (@ Houseman Field)
October 24	National Lights on After School
October 25	End of 1st Marking Period
October 28	Beginning of 2nd Marking Period
October 28	NO SCHOOL, Records Flex; No LOOP Programming
October 29	School Choice Expo & Family Harvest Festival (Gerald R. Ford Academic Center)

NOVEMBER - 2019

November 1	First Round College Application Deadline for Colleges/Universities
November 5	NO SCHOOL, Professional Development; No LOOP Programming
November 19	School Choice Expo & Winter Carnival (City High Middle School)
November 25-29	No LOOP Programming
November 27	NO SCHOOL, Conference Exchange Day
November 28	DISTRICT CLOSED, Thanksgiving
November 28	Grand Rapids Turkey Trot
November 29	DISTRICT CLOSED
November 29	Theme School/Centers of Innovation Application Deadline

DECEMBER - 2019

December 1	Grand Rapids Community Foundation Scholarship Applications Open
December 14	Holiday Basketball Tournament
December 20	Half Day for Students (am); Records Flex (pm); No LOOP Programming
December 23-December 31	NO SCHOOL, Winter Break

JANUARY - 2020

January 1-3	NO SCHOOL, Winter Break
January 6	Theme School/Centers of Innovation Round 2 Application Period Opens

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January 15-17	Half Day for Students; Secondary Exams (am); Records Flex (pm)
January 15-20	No LOOP Programming
January 17	End of 2nd Marking Period
January 18	Floyd Mayweather Tournament
January 20	NO SCHOOL, Conference Exchange Day; No LOOP Programming
January 21	Beginning of 3rd Marking Period
January 21-31	NWEA/MAP K-8 Testing (grades 9-10 optional)
January 29	GRPS HS Vocal Music Festival
January 31	Middle School Swimming Championship (@ City)

FEBRUARY - 2020

February 1	Union Showcase
February 1	Ottawa Hills Boys' Swim Invitational
February 3-7	NWEA/MAP K-8 Testing (grades 9-10 optional)
February 10-11	GRPS Pre-MSBOA Festivals
February 12	COUNT DAY
February 15	GRCC Dual Enrollment Application Due (Summer Semester)
February 20	School Choice Expo & Snow Spectacular
February 20-21	GRPS MS Vocal Music Festivals

MARCH - 2020

March 1	Grand Rapids Community Foundation Scholarship Applications Due
March 6	NO SCHOOL, Professional Development
March 7	Middle School Wrestling Invitational (@ City)
March 18-19	GRPS Non-MSBOA Music Festivals
March 20	End of 3rd Marking Period
March 21	GRPS Job Fair
March 23	Beginning of 4th Marking Period

APRIL - 2020

April 2	No LOOP Programming
April 3-10	NO SCHOOL, Spring Break
April 13-30	M-STEP 5/8/11 Testing
April 13-30	MI-Access 3-8/11 Testing
April 14	SAT initial test date
April 14	PSAT 8/9/10 (grade 8 initial test date)
April 14-16	PSAT 8/9/10 (grades 9-10 initial test dates)
April 15	WorkKeys initial test date
April 15-21	PSAT 8/9/10 Make-Up
April 15	GRCC Dual Enrollment Application Deadline (Fall Semester)
April 20-30	NWEA/MAP K-10 Testing
April 27-40	M-STEP 4/5/6/7 Testing
April 28	City-Wide Art Show Public Reception - GRPS Elementary
April 28	SAT Make-Up
April 28-29	PSAT 8/9/10 Make-Up
April 29	WorkKeys Make-Up
April 30	City-Wide Art Show Public Reception - GRPS Secondary & Shared Time

MAY - 2020

May 1	Preschool, Here I Come
May 1-8	M-STEP 5/8/11 Testing
May 1-15	NWEA/MAP K-10 Testing
May 1-22	M-STEP 3/4/6/7 Testing

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May 4-29	MI-Access 3-8/11 Testing
May 6	Last day for Great Start Readiness Program Preschool
May 21	Last Day of LOOP Programming
May 22	Half Day of School for Students (am), Records Flex (pm)
May 25	NO SCHOOL, Memorial Day
May 26	CA Frost High Middle School Graduation (5-6 pm @ Calvin College-VanNoord Arena)
May 26	Innovation Central High School & Grand Rapids Montessori Graduation (7:30-8:30 pm @ Calvin College-VanNoord Arena)
May 28	City High Middle School Graduation (6-7 pm @ Fountain Street Church)
May 29	Ottawa Hills High School Graduation (6-7 pm @ Calvin College-VanNoord Arena)
May 30	University Preparatory Academy Graduation (11 am - 12 pm @ Calvin College-VanNoord Arena)
May 30	Union High School Graduation (2-3 pm @ Calvin College-VanNoord Arena)
JUNE - 2020	
June 1-3	Half Day for Students; Secondary Exams (am); Records Flex (pm)
June 3	End of 4th Marking Period
June 3	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL