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| Tuesday, September 1 | Leadership workshops (student leaders, by invitation)<br>See the Opening Week Schedule for more information. |
| Wednesday, September 2 | Orientation programming (new students)<br>See the Opening Week Schedule for more information. |
| Thursday, September 3 | Registration and orientation programming (all students)<br>See the Opening Week Schedule for more information. |
| Friday, September 4 | First day of classes; Semester 1 begins<br>**Special Friday class schedule • Special Occasion Dress**<br>8-8:45 a.m. • Chapel<br>8:50-9:10 a.m. • Advisory<br>9:15-10:00 a.m. • A Block<br>10:05-10:50 a.m. • School Meeting<br>10:55-11:40 a.m. • G Block<br>11:45 a.m.-1:10 p.m. • Seated Advisory Lunch<br>1:15-2 p.m. • D Block<br>2:05-2:50 p.m. • E Block<br><br>3:45 p.m. • Afternoon activities begin<br><br>7 p.m. • Field Day<br><br>See the Opening Week Schedule for more information. |
| Saturday, September 5 | Second day of classes<br>**Regular Saturday class schedule** • 9:15-11:40 a.m.<br>**All afternoon activities meet** • 1 p.m.<br>**Western Weekend** • 7 p.m.<br>See the Opening Week Schedule for more information about the afternoon. |
| Sunday, September 6 | **Dorm brunch** • 10 a.m.-1 p.m.<br>**All-school ice cream social** • 3-4 p.m.<br>*Day students encouraged but not required.*<br>See the Opening Week Schedule for more information. |
| Monday, September 7 | Course Change Period begins at **8 a.m.** |

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| Monday, September 21 | Course Change Period ends at **4 p.m.**<br>Level Change Period begins at **4 p.m.** |
| Friday, September 25 | Gradebooks open to students and advisors at **8 a.m.** |
| Saturday, September 26 | Fall Admission Visit Day<br>**Special Saturday schedule (early start)**<br>8-8:30 a.m. • C Block<br>8:35-9:05 a.m. • F Block<br>9:10-9:40 a.m. • B Block<br>9:45 a.m. • Fall Visit Day programming for students and faculty |
| Friday, October 2 through<br>Saturday, October 3 | Trustee Meetings & Campus Events<br>**Regular Friday & Saturday class schedules** |
| Wednesday, October 7 | PSAT & School Day SAT administrations at Brooks<br>**Regular Wednesday class schedule**<br>*Students taking the PSAT or SAT will be excused from classes.* |
| Friday, October 9 | Family Weekend<br>Programming for families throughout the day; families may visit classes<br>**Special Friday class schedule + performance + no assessments**<br>8-9 a.m. • F Block<br>9:05-9:50 a.m. • A Block<br>9:50-10:20 a.m. • Break<br>10:20-11:05 a.m. • G Block<br>11:10-11:55 a.m. • E Block<br>11:55 a.m.-12:45 p.m. • Lunch<br>12:45-1:45 p.m. • D Block<br>2:30-3:15 p.m. • Arts in Progress Concert |
| Saturday, October 10 | Family Weekend<br>**Mini-classes**<br>8:30-8:45 a.m. • A Block<br>8:50-9:05 a.m. • B Block<br>9:10-9:25 a.m. • C Block<br>9:30-9:45 a.m. • D Block<br>9:50-10:05 a.m. • E Block<br>10:10-10:25 a.m. • F Block<br>10:30-10:45 a.m. • G Block |
| Sunday, October 11 through<br>Monday, October 12 | **Family Weekend School Holiday (No classes)**<br>*Students may depart after their last commitment on Saturday, October 11; boarders are welcome to stay on campus! All boarders must return by 9 p.m. on Monday, October 12.* |
| Tuesday, October 13 | Level Change Period ends at **4 p.m.** |

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| Saturday, October 17 | **Community Weekend**<br>*All boarders remain on campus; no Saturday overnights approved; all students must return from day leaves by 8 p.m.* |
| Friday, October 23 | Guest Speaker: Nekima Levy-Armstrong '94<br>**Special Friday class schedule**<br>*More details to follow.* |
| Friday, October 30 | A Long Talk<br>**Special Friday class schedule**<br>8-9:10 a.m. • F Block<br>9:15-10 a.m. • A Block<br>10:05-10:50 a.m. • G Block<br>10:55 a.m.-1:15 p.m. • A Long Talk programming & Seated Lunch<br>1:15-2:25 p.m. • D Block<br>2:30-3:15 p.m. • E Block |
| Friday, November 6 | Afternoon athletic contests<br>**Modified Friday class schedule, ending by noon.**<br>*More details to follow.* |
| Saturday, November 7 | SAT administration at Brooks<br>**Regular Saturday class schedule**<br>**No athletic contests**<br>*Students taking the SAT will be excused from classes.* |
| Saturday, November 14 | Last day of regular season fall athletic contests (away at Tabor)<br>**No classes; no athletic elective absences approved** |
| Wednesday, November 18 through Friday, November 20 | Major papers and projects due for Semester 1<br>**Regular Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday class schedules**<br>*Elective absences during this period must be submitted **at least one week in advance** and receive special approval from the Academic Office and Student Life Office.* |
| Wednesday, November 18 through Friday, November 20 | Practices and tryouts begin for winter season first teams |
| Saturday, November 21 and Sunday, November 22 | NEPSAC semifinal and final athletic contests<br>Massachusetts Music Educators Association Northeastern District Auditions |
| Friday, November 20 through Monday, November 30 | **Thanksgiving Break**<br>*All students depart after their last commitment on Friday, November 20. Dormitories close for the break at noon on Saturday, November 21. All boarders must return by 9 p.m. on Monday, November 30.* |
| Tuesday, December 1 | Classes resume<br>**Regular Tuesday class schedule**<br>All winter afternoon activities begin |

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| Saturday, December 5 | **Community Weekend**<br>*All boarders remain on campus; no Saturday overnights approved; all students must return from day leaves by 8 p.m.* |
| Saturday, December 12 through Thursday, December 17 | Exhibitions of Learning (EOL) period for Semester 1<br>**Special EOL schedule**<br>*All students must attend all EOL sessions.* |
| Thursday, December 17 | Lessons & Carols festivities begin at 5:30 p.m.<br>*Students may depart after the programming on Thursday evening, but are encouraged to depart on Friday, December 18.* |
| Friday, December 18 through Monday, January 4 | **Winter Break**<br>*Students must depart by the time dormitories close for the break at noon. All boarders must return by 9:00 p.m. on Monday, January 4.* |
| Tuesday, January 5 | Winter Term begins<br>**Special Winter Term schedule**<br>9-10:30 a.m. • Chapel & Advisory<br>10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. • Winter Term classes |
| Saturday, January 23 | Last day of Winter Term<br>**Special Winter Term schedule**<br>*All students attend the entire day.*<br>9-11 a.m. • Winter Term classes meet<br>1 p.m. • All afternoon programs meet |
| Sunday, January 24 through Monday, January 25 | **Winter Term Holiday (No classes)**<br>*Students may depart after their last commitment on Saturday, January 23; boarders are welcome to stay! All boarders must return by 9:00 p.m. on Monday, January 25.* |
| Tuesday, January 26 | Semester 2 begins<br>**Special Tuesday class schedule**<br>8-8:45 a.m. • Chapel<br>8:50-10 a.m. • G Block<br>10:05-10:50 a.m. • Advisor meetings<br>*Regular Tuesday schedule after 10:50 a.m.*<br><br>Course Change Period begins at **9 a.m.** |
| Friday, January 29 through Saturday, January 30 | Trustee Meetings<br>**Regular Friday class schedule; special Saturday schedule (see below)** |
| Saturday, January 30 | **Winter Term Symposium**<br>*All students attend the entire day.*<br>9-11:30 a.m. • Winter Term Symposium, class locations |

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| | **Community Weekend**<br>*All boarders remain on campus; no Saturday overnights approved; all students must return from day leaves by 8 p.m.* |
| Tuesday, February 9 | Course Change Period ends at **4 p.m.** |
| Tuesday, February 16 | Gradebooks open to students and advisors at **8 a.m.** |
| Saturday, February 27 | ACT administration at Brooks<br>*Students taking the ACT at Brooks will be excused from classes.*<br><br>Last day of regular season contests for winter afternoon programs |
| Monday, March 8 through Wednesday, March 10 | Midterm papers, projects, and assessments due for Semester 2<br>**Regular Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday class schedules**<br>*Elective absences during this period must be submitted at least one week in advance and receive special approval from the Academic Office and Student Affairs.*<br><br>Tryouts for spring season afternoon activities begin |
| Wednesday, March 10 | Last day of classes before Spring Break |
| Wednesday, March 10 through Monday, March 29 | **Spring Break**<br>*Students must depart after their last commitment on Wednesday, March 10. Dormitories close for the break at 5 p.m. that evening. All boarders must return by 9 p.m. on Monday, March 29.* |
| Tuesday, March 30 | Semester 2 classes resume<br>**Regular Tuesday class schedule** |
| Friday, April 2 | Admission Revisit Day<br>**Special class schedule**<br>*More details to follow* |
| Saturday, April 3, 2026 | **Community Weekend**<br>*All boarders remain on campus; no Saturday overnights approved; all students must return from day leaves by 8 p.m.* |
| Tuesday, April 6 | Admission Revisit Day<br>**Special class schedule**<br>*More details to follow* |
| Saturday, April 10 | ACT administration at Brooks<br>**Regular Saturday class schedule**<br>*Students taking the ACT will be excused from classes.* |

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| Friday, April 16 | Cum Laude Society Induction Ceremony<br>**Special Friday class schedule • Chapel dress**<br>8-9:10 a.m. • F Block<br>9:15-10 a.m. • A Block<br>10:05-10:55 a.m. • G Block<br>11-11:45 a.m. • Cum Laude Society Induction Ceremony, Frank D. Ashburn Chapel<br>Noon-1 p.m. • Special luncheon for inductees (dining hall open as usual for all others)<br>1:15-2:25 p.m. • D Block<br>2:30-3:15 p.m. • E Block |
| Saturday, April 24 | Grandparents and Special Friends Day<br>**Special Saturday class schedule**<br>*Details to follow* |
| Friday, April 30 through<br>Saturday, May 1 | Trustee Meetings<br>**Regular Friday and Saturday class schedules** |
| Saturday, May 1 | **Community Weekend**<br>*All boarders remain on campus; no Saturday overnights approved; all students must return from day leaves by 8 p.m.* |
| Saturday, May 2, 2026 | SAT administration at Brooks<br>**Regular Saturday class schedule**<br>*Students taking the SAT at Brooks will be excused from classes.* |
| Monday, May 3 through<br>Friday, May 14 | AP exam administrations at Brooks<br>*Students sit for AP examinations in any AP course in which they are enrolled at Brooks.* |
| Tuesday, May 25 | Last day of classes for sixth-form students<br>**Regular Tuesday class schedule** |
| Monday, May 24 through<br>Friday, May 28 | Special programming and final classes for sixth-form students<br>Exhibition of Learning (EOL) papers and projects due for third-, fourth-, and fifth-form students<br>**Special Monday through Friday class schedules**<br>*All students must attend all EOL sessions; more details to follow* |
| Sunday, May 30 | Graduation Weekend<br>10:30-11:45 a.m. • Donning of the Stoles<br>2:-3:30 p.m. • Lawn Ceremony (**all students required** to attend)<br>3:30-5 p.m. • Boo Hoo Chapel (**all students required** to attend) |
| Monday, May 31 | Graduation Weekend<br>8:15-9 a.m. • Pinning Breakfast (all sixth-form students required to attend)<br>9:15-10 a.m. • Prize Day Chapel (all sixth-form students required to attend)<br>10:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. • Prize Day (**all students required** to attend) |
| Tuesday, June 1 through<br>Friday, June 4 | Exhibitions of Learning (EOL) examinations for third-, fourth, and fifth-form students<br>**Special EOL schedules**<br>*All students must attend all EOL sessions; more details to follow* |

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| Friday, June 4 | Semester 2 ends<br>**Summer break begins**<br>*Students may depart after their last commitment of the week. Boarders taking the SAT on Saturday, June 5, may stay on campus by prior arrangement with the Student Life office.* |
| Saturday, June 5 | SAT administration at Brooks<br>*Students must leave campus after the SAT administration concludes.* |

*Questions? Contact Currie Joya Huntington or Lisa Saunders !*

*Teachers, see the 2026-2027 Marking Periods and Grading Deadlines document for information about grades and comments.*