



## SANDY SPRING FRIENDS SCHOOL

### 2018-2019 Academic Calendar

Below is an outline of major dates for the **2018-2019 school year**. Please note that because of the way the calendar falls, **SSFS plans to start school the day AFTER Labor Day**, which will still allow us to meet our State requirement of providing 170 instructional days, plus additional contingency days for weather-related closings. A full calendar listing of events for 2018-19 is also posted online under News & Media. *Updated Aug. 2, 2018*

DATE	EVENT	NOTES
August 13-31 (Mon-Fri)	“Spring to Success” Summer Bridge Program for new international Upper School students	International families may register for this program via their enrollment contract
August 19-23 (Sun-Thurs)	9th Grade Trip	Required for all incoming 9th grade students
August 24-31 (Fri-Fri)	Faculty/Staff Opening Meetings	New faculty/staff orientation Aug. 24 & 27
August 31-September 1 (Fri-Sat)	Dorm opens for <b>new</b> dorm students @ noon Friday	Welcome dinner at 6:00 pm on Sat, Sept. 1
September 1-2 (Sat-Sun)	Dorm opens for <b>returning</b> dorm students	All dorm students should arrive by Sunday evening
September 3 (Monday)	Labor Day - <b>School Closed</b>	Offices closed; Dorm orientation for all new & returning dorm students
September 4 (Tuesday)	<b>First Day of School</b> Opening Meetings and Orientations	LS classroom visits, conferences, and orientation MS & US orientation events for students & families
September 5 (Wednesday)	<b>First Full Day of Classes (LS, MS, US)</b>	Reminder: 2:35 pm Wednesday dismissal
October 22 (Monday)	Lower School Professional Day - <b>No LS Classes</b>	<b>Middle and Upper School in session</b>
November 2 (Friday)	Lower School Professional Day - <b>No LS Classes</b>	<b>Middle and Upper School in session</b>
November 5 (Monday)	Middle & Upper School Professional Day - <b>No Middle &amp; Upper School Classes</b>	<b>Lower School in session</b>
November 19-20 (Mon-Tues)	Professional Days for Faculty and Staff <b>No Classes (LS, MS, &amp; US)</b>	<b>No classes during Thanksgiving Week</b> <b>Dorm closes @ 10 am Sunday, Nov. 18;</b> <b>Dorm re-opens @ noon Sat, Nov. 24</b>
November 21-23 (Wed-Fri)	Thanksgiving Break - <b>School Closed</b>	Offices closed; <b>Dorm closed</b> (see above)
December 21 (Friday)	Lower School Professional Day - <b>No LS Classes</b> <b>Middle &amp; Upper School: 1:00 pm Dismissal</b>	Winter Break begins at <b>1:00 pm for MS &amp; US</b>
December 24 - January 4 (Mon-Fri)	Winter Break - <b>School Closed</b>	Offices closed; <b>Dorm closes @ 10 am Sun, Dec. 23;</b> <b>Dorm re-opens @ noon Sat, Jan. 5</b>
January 7 (Monday)	Classes Resume	
January 21 (Monday)	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - <b>No Classes</b>	All-School Day of Service (optional)
January 22-25 (Tues-Fri)	Upper School Exams	
January 28 (Monday)	Lower School Professional Day - <b>No LS Classes</b>	<b>Middle and Upper School in session</b>
February 1 (Friday)	Middle & Upper School Professional Day - <b>No Middle &amp; Upper School Classes</b>	<b>Lower School in session</b>
February 18 (Monday)	President’s Day - <b>School Closed</b>	Offices closed; Dorm open
February 19 (Tuesday)	Professional Day - <b>No Classes (LS, MS, &amp; US)</b>	Possible weather make-up day
March 18-22 (Mon-Fri)	Upper School Intersession Trips, Middle School Immersion Week	Some Upper School Intersession trips may extend beyond this week.
March 25-29 (Mon-Fri)	Spring Break - <b>School Closed</b>	Offices closed; <b>Dorm closes @ 10 am Sun, Mar. 24;</b> <b>Dorm re-opens @ noon Sat, Mar. 30</b>
April 8 (Monday)	Professional Day - <b>No Classes (LS, MS, &amp; US)</b>	Possible weather make-up day
May 27 (Monday)	Memorial Day - <b>School Closed</b>	Offices closed; Dorm open
June 3-6 (Mon-Thurs)	Upper School Exams	
June 6 (Thursday)	<b>Last Day of Classes - 1:00 pm Dismissal</b>	
June 8 (Saturday)	Graduation, <b>9:00 am</b> (on campus)	<b>Note earlier event time this year! Dorm closes @ 10 am on Sun, Jun. 9 for Summer Break.</b>