



2026 – 2027 INSTRUCTIONAL CALENDAR

THORNCLIFFE SCHOOL

CBE schools are closed on the days shaded grey.

August 26, 27, 28	Non-instruction days Professional Learning and Organization
August 31	First day of school
September 4	Welcome Back Breakfast
September 7	Labour Day
September 24	Meet the Teacher Evening
September 25	Non-Instruction Organizational
September 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
October 12	Thanksgiving Day
October 19	Non-instruction day Professional Learning
November 10	Last day of classes
November 11-15	Fall Break
November 16	Classes resume
November 26	Student Learning Conferences
November 27	Student Learning Conferences – Non Instruction Day
December 18	Last day of classes
Dec 19 - Jan 3	Winter Break
January 4	Classes resume
January 29	System PL Non-instruction day
February 11, 12	Teachers' Convention
February 15	Family Day
February 26	Non-instruction day Professional Learning
March 18	Last day of classes
March 18	Student Learning Conferences
March 19	Student Learning Conferences Non-instruction day
March 20 - 29	Spring Break
March 30	Classes resume
April 30	Maatoomsii Pookaiks Non-instruction day
May 21	Non-instruction day Professional Learning
May 24	Victoria Day
June 25	Last day of classes
June 28, 29	Appeals June 28 Non-instruction days

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Bell Times

Monday-Thursday

9:05am Soft Entry Starts
 9:15am Instruction Starts
 12:05pm Kindergarten Dismissal
 12:15pm Lunch Starts
 12:55pm Lunch Ends
 3:43pm Dismissal

Friday

9:05am Soft Entry Starts
 9:15am Instruction Starts
 1:10pm Dismissal

Kindergarten Fridays

Kindergarten Attends:

September 18; October 9, 23; November 6;
 December 4, 18; January 15; February 5; March 5;
 April 2, 16; May 7, 28; June 25

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Wednesday, Thursday, Friday	August 26, 27, 28	Non-instruction days
Monday	August 31	First day of school for students
Monday	September 7	Labour Day
Friday	September 25	Non-instruction day
Wednesday	September 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
Monday	October 12	Thanksgiving Day
Monday	October 19	Non-instruction day
Tuesday	November 10	Last day of classes before Fall Break
Wednesday	November 11	Remembrance Day
Monday	November 16	Classes resume
Friday	November 27	Non-instruction day
Friday	December 18	Last day of classes before Winter Break
Monday	January 4	Classes resume
Friday	January 29	System Professional Learning Non-instruction day
Thursday, Friday	February 11, 12	Teachers' Convention
Monday	February 15	Family Day
Friday	February 26	Non-instruction day
Thursday	March 18	Last day of classes before Spring Break
Friday	March 19	Non-instruction day
Friday	March 26	Good Friday
Tuesday	March 30	Classes resume
Friday	April 30	Maatoomsii' Pookaiks, System Professional Learning Non-instruction day
Friday	May 21	Non-instruction day
Monday	May 24	Victoria Day
Friday	June 25	Last day of school for students
Monday	June 28	Science 30 Exam*
Monday, Tuesday	June 28, 29	Non-instruction days

Number of Days

Month	Operational Day	Instructional Day
August	4	1
September	20	19
October	21	20
November	18	17
December	14	14
January	20	19
February	19	16
March	17	16
April	22	21
May	20	19
June	21	19
Total	196	181

Alberta Education Minimum Hours of Instruction

- Kindergarten 475 hours per school year
- Grades 1 to 9 950 hours per school year in each grade
- Grades 10 to 12 1000 hours per school year

CBE Additional Information

- Schools may use a maximum of three (3) non-instructional days for Student Learning Conferences.
- High Schools may have one flex day for graduation. K-9 schools may not have a flex day.
- June 25 is a system-wide early dismissal day.