

**Higher Ground Academy**  
**2025 – 2026 Calendar**  
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**August**

- 11 – 15: New Educators Training
- 18 – 21: First week for all staff
- 22: Open house
- 25: First day for students grade 1 – 12

**September**

- 1: Labor Day **(No School)**
- 2: First day for Kindergarten
- 9: WBWF meeting (evening)
- 24: Early release day for students (PD for staff)
- 30: ELL and Title I parents meeting (evening)

**October**

- 9: Math Night (HGA Elementary & HGA Middle School)
- 15: Early release day for students (PD for staff)
- 16 – 17: State Teachers Meeting **(No School for Students)**
- 16: PD for staff
- 22: End of first quarter

**November**

- 5: **Parent – Teacher Conferences (Evening) (4:00 pm to 7:00 pm)**
- 6: **Parent - Teacher Conferences (10:00 am to 5:00 pm) – (No School for Students)**
- 7: **(No School)**
- 21: Culture Day **(No School for Students)**
- 26 – 28: Thanksgiving **((No School)**

**December**

- 16: ELL and Title I parents meeting (evening)
- 17: Early release day for students (PD for staff)
- 22: End of first semester
- 22 – 31: Winter Break **(No School)**

**January**

- 1 – 2: Winter Break - **(No School)**
- 5: School resumes
- 14: **Parent – Teacher Conferences (Evening) (4:00 pm to 7:00 pm)**
- 15: **Parent - Teacher Conferences (10:00 am to 5:00 pm) – No School for Students**
- 16: **(No School)**
- 19: MLK Birthday **(No School)**

**February**

- 16: Presidents Day **(No School)**

## March

- 13: End of third quarter
- 16 – 23: Spring Break (**No School**)
- March 24: School resumes

## April

- 1: **Parent – Teacher Conferences (Evening) (4:00 pm to 7:00 pm)**
- 2: **Parent - Teacher Conferences (10:00 am to 5:00 pm) – (No School for Students)**
- 3: (**No School**)
- 9: Literacy night (HGA elementary and HGA Middle)
- 23: ELL and Title I parents meeting (Evening)

## May

- 22: Last day for Kindergarten
- 25: Memorial Day (**No School**)
- 26: Eid al-adha (**No School**)
- 28: Kindergarten graduation
- 29: Last day for grades 1 – 6

## June

- 5: Last day for grades 7 – 12
- 13: Senior graduation

### MN Mandated Number of Hours Per School Year

**Kindergarten = 425 hrs.**

**Grades 1 – 5 = 935 hrs.**

**Grades 7 – 12 = 1020hrs.**

### Number of Hours in this calendar

**Kindergarten = 952 hrs.**

**Grades 1 -5 = 998 hrs.**

**Grades 7 – 12 = 1029 hrs.**

**The school day starts at 7:00 am and ends at 2:00 pm. Students have 15 minutes for breakfast and 20 minutes for lunch.**