

## SEARCY PUBLIC SCHOOLS CALENDAR FOR 2008-2009

AUGUST 5.....COOP TEACHER DAY  
 AUGUST 11-12-13.....DISTRICT-WIDE TEACHER IN-SERVICE  
 AUGUST 18.....SCHOOL BEGINS  
 AUGUST 27.....ANNUAL REPORT TO PUBLIC MEETING  
**SEPTEMBER 1.....LABOR DAY (NO SCHOOL)**  
 SEPTEMBER 18.....PROGRESS REPORTS SENT HOME  
 OCTOBER 10.....HOMECOMING  
 OCTOBER 15.....END OF 1ST QUARTER (42 DAYS)  
**OCTOBER 16.....GRADES K-4 PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES (3:00-7:00)**  
**SECONDARY IN-SERVICE SCHOOL WILL DISMISS AT 1:30**  
**OCTOBER 21.....GRADES 5-12 PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES (3:00-7:00)**  
**ELEMENTARY IN-SERVICE/SCHOOL WILL DISMISS AT 1:30**  
**NOVEMBER 13.....DISTRICT-WIDE TEACHER IN-SERVICE (NO SCHOOL)**  
**NOVEMBER 14.....AEA CONFERENCE (NO SCHOOL)**  
 NOVEMBER 17.....PROGRESS REPORTS SENT HOME  
 NOVEMBER 26.....SCHOOL WILL DISMISS AT 1:30  
**NOVEMBER 27-28.....THANKSGIVING BREAK (NO SCHOOL)**  
 DECEMBER 18.....SCHOOL WILL DISMISS AT 1:30  
 DECEMBER 19.....END OF 2ND QUARTER & 1ST SEMESTER (43 DAYS)  
 DECEMBER 19.....SCHOOL WILL DISMISS AT 1:30  
**DECEMBER 22-JANUARY 2.....STUDENT CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS (NO SCHOOL)**  
**JANUARY 2.....DISTRICT-WIDE TEACHER IN-SERVICE (NO SCHOOL)**  
 JANUARY 5.....STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL & BEGIN 2ND SEMESTER  
 JANUARY 6.....REPORT CARDS SENT HOME  
 FEBRUARY 5.....PROGRESS REPORTS SENT HOME  
**FEBRUARY 16.....MID-NINE WEEK BREAK (NO SCHOOL) <INCLEMENT WEATHER DAY>**  
 MARCH 10.....END OF 3RD QUARTER (46 DAYS)  
**MARCH 12.....GRADES 5 -12 PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES (3:00-7:00)**  
**ELEMENTARY IN-SERVICE/ SCHOOL WILL DISMISS AT 1:30**  
**MARCH 17.....GRADES K - 4 PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES (3:00-7:00)**  
**SECONDARY IN-SERVICE/ SCHOOL WILL DISMISS AT 1:30**  
**MARCH 23 - MARCH 27.....SPRING BREAK (NO SCHOOL)**  
 APRIL 17.....PROGRESS REPORTS SENT HOME  
 MAY 9.....GRADUATION (7:30)  
**MAY 20.....SCHOOL WILL DISMISS AT 1:30**  
**MAY 21.....LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR K-11 (47 DAYS)**  
**SCHOOL WILL DISMISS AT 1:30**  
 MAY 22.....TEACHER WORK DAY

1st Quarter - 42 days  
 2nd Quarter - 43 days  
 1st Semester - 85 days

3rd Quarter - 46 days  
 4th Quarter - 47 days  
 2nd Semester - 93 days

### First Semester

Progress Reports - September 18  
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 Report Cards - October 16 & 21

Progress Reports - November 17  
 Report Cards - January 6

### Second Semester

Progress Reports - February  
 Report Cards - March 12 & 17

Progress Reports - April 17  
 Report Cards - May 21 & 22

**There is one (1) inclement weather day built into this calendar. If NOT utilized, school will dismiss on Monday, February 16. If additional inclement weather days are required, the days will be added to the end of the school calendar (weekdays only).**

## **2008-2009 Board Holidays**

Independence Day - July 4  
Labor Day – September 1  
Thanksgiving - November 27-28

Christmas - December 25-26  
New Year's – December 31-January 1  
Memorial Day - May 25

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR 2008-09**

Sixty (60) Hours of Professional Development Are Required

Technology Training - 6 hours  
District provided technology training with approval of building principal or other approved technology training or a combination of the above with approval of building principal.

August 5 – Coop-Wide Teacher Day – 6 hours  
or Building Level In-Service (to be determined by Building Principal)

August 11,12,13 – Local District In-Service - 14 hours

October 16 or 21 – Local District In-Service – 2 hours

November 13 – Local District In-Service – 6 hours  
(AEA Professional Development Hours with approval of Building Principal)

January 2 – Local District In-Service – 6 hours

March 12 or 17 - Local District In-Service – 2 hours

Eighteen (18) Additional Professional Development Hours will be scheduled with the approval of Building Principal.

Two (2) hours of Parental Involvement Professional Development are required for teachers and three (3) hours for administrators.

## **TESTING AND ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE 2008-09**

August 11, 2008 – September 19, 2008 – Window for Kindergarten Inventory (QUALLS)  
October 15, 2008- PSAT (Wednesday)  
October 21, 2008- Grade 8 EXPLORE (Thursday)  
October 29, 2008 Grade 10 PLAN (Wednesday)  
January 19-30, 2009 Window – Grade 2 Otis-Lennon for GT Evaluation  
March 10-11, 2009 – Grade 11 Literacy Exam (Tuesday-Wednesday)  
March 20, 2009 – Alternate Portfolio Return Date  
March 30 – May 8, 2009 – Window – K- 12 English Language Development Assessment (ELDA)  
April 6-10, 2009 –Grades K-2 NRT Testing (Monday-Friday)  
April 8-9, 2009- Grade 9 NRT Testing (Wednesday-Thursday)  
April 13-17, 2009 – Augmented Benchmark Exams in Grades 3-8 (Monday-Friday)  
April 21-22, 2009 – End of Course Geometry Exam (Tuesday-Wednesday)  
April 23-24, 2009 – End of Course Algebra I Exam (Thursday-Friday)  
April 28-29, 2009 – End of Course Biology Exam (Tuesday-Wednesday)  
May 4, 2009 – AP Government 8:00 AM  
May 4, 2009 – AP French Language 12:00 PM  
May 5, 2009 – AP Spanish Language 8:00 AM  
May 6, 2009 – AP Calculus 8:00 AM  
May 6, 2009 (tentative date) – Algebra II  
May 7, 2009 – AP English Literature 8:00 AM  
May 7, 2009 – AP French Literature 12:00 PM  
May 8, 2009 – AP United States History 8:00 AM  
May 11, 2009 – AP Biology 8:00 AM  
May 11, 2009 – AP Physics 12:00 PM  
May 12, 2009 – AP Chemistry 8:00 AM  
May 13, 2009 – AP English Language 8:00 AM  
May 15, 2009 – AP Spanish Literature 8:00 AM