

The Cottonwood School 2026-2027 Staff Calendar

In addition to highlighted events, staff may be asked to attend other evening celebrations and student overnights. We will try to give 2 months notice.

Event	Date(s)
CSCS Office Reopens & Teachers Return	Monday, August 17, 2026
School Clean-up Day	Saturday, August 22, 2026
School Starts for Grades 1-8	Monday, August 31, 2026
Kindergarten Starts	Tuesday September 1, 2026
Labor Day - Holiday - School Closed	Monday, September 7, 2026
Back to School Night	Thursday, September 17, 2026
Early Out (12:30) No PD	Thursday October 8, 2026
OSTA Conference overnight	Friday & Saturday, October 9 & 10, 2026
Goal Setting Conferences - no school for students	Thursday & Friday, Oct. 29 & 30, 2026
Plant Night	Thursday, November 5, 2026
Veterans Day - Holiday - school closed	Wednesday, November 11, 2026
Fall Break for students	Monday, November 23 - Friday, November 27, '26
1st Trimester Ends	Friday, December 18, 2026
Winter Break for Students	Monday, December 21- Tuesday, January 4, 2027
Teacher Planning Day - no school for students	Monday, January 4, 2027
Students' First Day Back After Break	Tuesday, January 5, 2027
1st Trimester grades posted	Tuesday, January 12, 2027
Plant Night	Thursday, February 11, 2027
President's Day - Holiday - school closed	Monday, February 15, 2027
Open House, 6:30-8:00	Wednesday, March 3, 2027
Conferences - no school for students	Thursday & Friday, March 11 & 12, 2027
2nd Trimester ends	Friday, March 19, 2027
Spring Break for Students	Monday, March 22 - Monday March 29, 2027
Teacher Planning Day - no school for students	Monday, March 29, 2027
First Day Back After Break for students	Tuesday, March 30, 2027
Professional Development - no school for students	Friday, April 30, 2027
Plant Night	Thursday, May 27, 2027
Memorial Day - Holiday - school closed	Monday, May 31, 2027
Last Day of School for Students, 12:30 Dismissal	Tuesday, June 8, 2027

Staff Retreat (optional overnight)	Wednesday & Thursday, June 9 & 10, 2027
Last Day of School for Teachers	Friday, June 11, 2027
3rd Trimester Grades Posted	Tuesday, June 15, 2027
Juneteenth - Holiday - school closed	Thursday, June 18, 2027
CSCS Office Closes	Tuesday, June 22, 2027

Major Religious Holidays and Cultural Events 2026-27

Cottonwood works to avoid scheduling special school events on major religious holidays and cultural events to be inclusive of all students. This includes the scheduling of fieldwork, back-to-school night, outdoor school, assemblies, major tests, Friends & board meetings, student performances, etc. This list of holidays/events does not include all students' traditions and there may be other dates to avoid scheduling conflicts for students.

Rosh Hashanah*	September 11-13	Ash Wednesday	February 10
Yom Kippur*	September 20-21	Ramadan*	February 8 -March 9
Indigenous Peoples' Day	October 12	Eid Al-Fitr*	March 9-10
Diwali	November 8	Purim*	March 22-23
Native American Heritage Day	November 27	Good Friday	March 26
Hanukkah*	December 4 -12	Easter	March 28
Christmas	December 25	Passover*	April 21-29
Kwanzaa	December 26 -Jan. 1	Eid al-Adha*	May 16 & 17
Lunar New Year	February 6	Juneteenth	June 19

*Observance of Jewish and Muslim holidays begin at sundown on the first day listed and end at nightfall on the last date specified.

CSCS -Designated National Heritage Months

October	National Hispanic Latino Heritage Month
November	National American Indian Heritage Month
December	Jewish American Heritage Month
February	Black History Month
March	National Women's History Month
April	Arab American Heritage / Earth Month
May	Asian Pacific American Heritage Month
June	LGBTQ Pride Month

