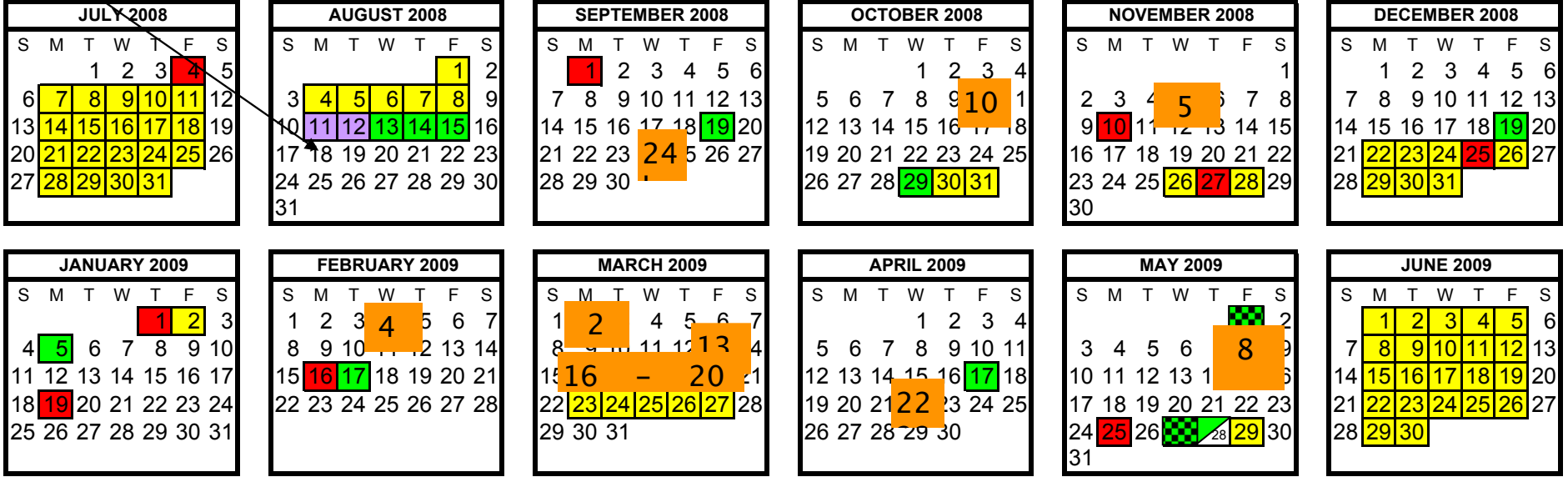


*First day of school*

# DENVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2008-2009 School Year Calendar

Adopted by School District No. 1 in the City and County of Denver and the State of Colorado



- **No Classes for Students**  
*Professional Days*  
August 13  
September 19; December 19 (Grading of Benchmark Assessment)
- ▣ **Early Release Day**  
*1/2 Planning Day*  
May 28
- **Vacation/No Classes**
- **MS/HS Walk-in Registration**  
August 11, 12
- **Holidays**  
Independence Day - July 4  
Labor Day - September 1  
Veterans' Day - November 11  
Observed November 10)  
Thanksgiving Day - November 27  
Christmas Day - December 25  
New Year's Day - January 1  
Martin Luther King - January 19  
Presidents' Day - February 16  
Cesar Chavez Day - March 31  
Observed March 23)  
Memorial Day - May 25

- Planning Days*  
August 14, 15; January 5; February 17
- 1/2 Planning and 1/2 Focus on Student Achievement Day*  
April 17 (1/2 day District directed)
- Parent/Teacher Conference Day -- Week of October 27 is parent/teacher conference week*  
October 29 (Schools may modify the daily schedule for parent/teacher conference; also determine date and time for parent/teacher conference during this week)
- ▣ **Assessment Days**  
May 1, 27 (Will be used for individual and/or small group assessments)
- No Classes for Elementary, K-8, and Middle School Students**
- No Classes for High School Students on May 27**

**DATES YOU WANT TO REMEMBER FOR OUR SILVER ANNIVERSARY SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL 2009**

9/24/08 Steering Committee CEC Café 12-3 pm.  
10/10/08 Check for \$30 to enroll in workshop.  
11/5/08 Workshop CEC 9am-4pm Rm. 212.  
2/4/09 Required Meeting 8:30-11:30 am R. 212.  
3/2/09 All forms due except Shirts.  
3/13/09. T-Shirt orders due.  
3/16-20/09 Auditions at your school.  
4/22/09 Reception 5:30 - 7:30 51 Grape Street Temple Emanuel.  
5/8/09 25th Annual Shakespeare Festival. Our Silver Anniversary!

- Semester Dates**  
First Semester Begins 8/18; Ends 12/19  
Second Semester Begins 1/5; Ends 5/28
- Student Report Days**  
80 Days  
91.5 Days  
171.5 Total Days
- Mid-term and End of Course Assessments**  
December 8-18; May 11-26
- Benchmark Assessments**  
September 8-18; December 1-11; April 20-30

- February 20; May 28
- February 13; April 3; May 28
- March 6; May 28

The Calendar for the 2008-2009 school year is adopted by the Board of Education subject to the provision that if for any reason the School District must close schools for more than the time provided by the statutes, the adopted 2008-2009 calendar may be amended by the Board of Education to provide enough additional school days on Saturdays, during vacation, or at the end of the present calendar to meet legal requirements as required by the statutes.

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