



### Cayman Islands Government Schools 2026-2027 School Calendar

TERM 1: 26 August – 18 December 2026		Teaching Days: 74 Staff Planning/Professional Development Days: 9
August	17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Return for Duty:</b> Principals &amp; Deputy Principals</li> <li>❖ Orientation: New Staff (Principals to attend)</li> <li>❖ <b>Return for Duty:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ All Support Services Staff Team Leads for: Allied Health, Specialist Teachers, Counsellors, EIP &amp; Behaviour Support Service Manager</li> <li>▪ Team Leads for Music, PE, Spanish &amp; Manager of Career Services</li> <li>▪ SENCOs, TLCs, LMs, HoDs, Subject Leads (Secondary), TVET Coordinator, Primary ILL, ILN, ILS, MSTs, Coaches, Other Middle Leaders at both primary and secondary</li> </ul> </li> <li>❖ School Orientation: New Staff</li> </ul>
	18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Return for Duty:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ ALL TEACHERS</li> <li>▪ ALL SUPPORT STAFF</li> </ul> </li> <li>❖ <b>First Staff Planning Day/Professional Development Day (School Level)</b></li> </ul>
	19	<b>Professional Development Day (System Wide)</b>
	20	<b>Professional Development Day (System Wide)</b>
	21	<b>Annual Education Professionals' Welcome at JGHS Gym (a.m.)</b>
	24	<b>Professional Development Day (School)</b>
	25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ New Student Orientation for both primary &amp; high schools (a.m.)</li> <li>❖ <b>Professional Development Day (School Level; p.m.)</b></li> </ul>
26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Schools Open for Primary &amp; High School Students</b></li> <li>❖ CIFEC Class Induction/Registration for Year 12</li> </ul>	
September	7-11	Diagnostic Testing Primary & Secondary Schools
October (Education Month)	1-31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ CAT4 Testing – Yrs. 4, 6 &amp; 9</li> <li>❖ Pupil Attitudes towards Self &amp; School (PASS) – Yrs. 1-11</li> </ul>
	5	World Teachers' Day
	7	KPMG Brain Bowl (Secondary)
	15	<b>Professional Development Day (School Level) – Schools closed to students</b>
	16	<b>Professional Development Day (System Wide) – Schools closed to students</b>
November	19-23	<b>Schools Closed for Half-Term Break (Students &amp; Teachers)</b>
	9	<b>Public Holiday: Remembrance Day</b>
	10-13	Schools' Heritage Week
	24	RBC Royal Bank Primary National Spelling Bee
December	25	Lions Club of Grand Cayman Secondary National Spelling Bee
	4	<b>Professional Development Day (System Wide) – Schools closed to students</b>
	18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Schools close for Christmas Break:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Students leave at 1:00 p.m.</li> <li>❖ Teachers/Staff leave at 3:00 p.m.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
TERM 2: 4 January – 24 March 2027		Teaching Days: 51 Staff Planning/Professional Development Days: 1
January	1	<b>Public Holiday: New Year's Day</b>
	4	<b>Schools Reopen</b>
	22	<b>Professional Development Day – National Education Event</b>
February	25	<b>Public Holiday: National Heroes Day</b>
	1-5	Inter-Secondary Athletics: Preliminaries & Finals
	10	<b>Public Holiday: Ash Wednesday</b>
	8-12	<b>Schools Closed for Half-Term Break (Students &amp; Teachers)</b>
	19	NCFA Secondary Adjudications (Cayman Brac)
March	22-26	NCFA Secondary Adjudications (Grand Cayman)
	9	NCFA Secondary Final Concert (Grand Cayman)
	12	Butterfield Young Musician of the Year (TENTATIVE)
	13	Amin Mohammad Memorial Steel Pan Competition (TENTATIVE)
	15-19	Inter-Primary Athletics: Preliminaries & Finals
	24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Schools close for Easter Break:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Students leave at 1:00 p.m.</li> <li>❖ Teachers/Staff leave at 3:00 p.m.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	26	<b>Public Holiday: Good Friday</b>
29	<b>Public Holiday: Easter Monday</b>	
TERM 3: 5 April – 1 July 2027		Teaching Days: 60 Staff Planning/Professional Development Days: 1
April	5	<b>Schools Reopen</b>
	16	NCFA Primary Adjudications (Cayman Brac)
	19-23	NCFA Primary Adjudications (Grand Cayman)
	24	NCFA Primary & Secondary Final Concert (Cayman Brac)
May	30	<b>Professional Development Day (System Wide) – Schools closed to students</b>
	3	<b>Public Holiday: Emancipation Day</b>
	6-7	NCFA Primary Final Concerts (Grand Cayman)
	10-14	Key Stage 1 Examinations
	17	<b>Public Holiday: Discovery Day</b>
	18-20	Key Stage 2 Examinations
	21	Key Stage 2 Examination Make-up Day
	31	Pupil Attitudes towards Self & School (PASS) Yrs. 1-10 (Intervention Students)
June	1-4	Pupil Attitudes towards Self & School (PASS) Yrs. 1-10 (Intervention Students)
	TBC	<b>Public Holiday: King's Birthday</b>
July	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Schools close for Summer Break:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Students leave at 1:00 p.m.</li> <li>❖ Teachers/Staff leave at 3:00 p.m.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	2, 6-7	Contingency Storm/Emergency Days
	5	<b>Public Holiday: Constitution Day</b>
	TBC	<b>Summer School</b>



### Summary of Instructional/Teaching Days and Staff Planning/Professional Development Days Per Month

TERM 1		
Month	Total Teaching Days	Staff Planning/Professional Development Days
August	4	6 (3 school organised; 3 system organised)
September	22	0
October	15	2
November	20	0
December	13	1
<b>Total:</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>9</b>
End of Term 1: 18 December 2026: Schools close at 1:00 p.m. for students and 3:00 p.m. for teachers		
TERM 2		
Month	Total Teaching Days	Staff Planning/Professional Development Days
January	18	1
February	15	0
March	18	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>1</b>
End of Term 2: 24 March 2027: Schools close at 1:00 p.m. for students and 3:00 p.m. for teachers		
TERM 3		
Month	Total Teaching Days	Staff Planning/Professional Development Days
April	19	1 (system organised)
May	19	0
June	21	0
July	1	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>1</b>
End of Term 3: 1 July 2027: Schools close at 1:00 p.m. for students and 3:00 p.m. for teachers		

Contingency Storm/Emergency Days	
Month	Total Days
July	3

Key for Calendar	
Abbreviation	Meaning
Coaches	Science, Math and Literacy Coaches
Specialist Teachers – VI and HI	Visual and Hearing Impairment
HoDs/SLs (Secondary)	Heads of Department/Subject Leads
ILL	Instructional Leader (Literacy)
ILN	Instructional Leader (Numeracy)
ILS	Instructional Leader (Science)
LMs	Learning Mentors
MSTs	Math Specialist Teachers
OTs	Occupational Therapists
SALTs	Speech and Language Therapists
SENCO	Special Education Needs Coordinators
SIS	School Inclusion Specialists
SPLs	Student Progress Leader
TLCs	Teaching and Learning Coordinators
TVET Coordinator	Technical and Vocational Education and Training
Other Middle Leaders at both primary and secondary	Exam Officers, Data Managers, Senior Teachers, etc.