

Universal Vare Charter School Calendar 2025-2026



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AUGUST 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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SEPTEMBER 2025

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OCTOBER 2025

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NOVEMBER 2025

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DECEMBER 2025

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JANUARY 2026

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FEBRUARY 2026

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MARCH 2026

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APRIL 2026

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MAY 2026

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JUNE 2026

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JULY 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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- Holiday
- Recess / Non-Studying
- Start of Grading Period
- End of Grading Period
- Testing Start
- Testing End
- Early Release
- Other



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JULY 2025

Jul 4 Independence Day (Schools and Offices Closed)
Federal holiday; schools and offices closed.

AUGUST 2025

Aug 4 First Day for Principals, Assistant Principals, Administrative Assistants and Teacher Leaders
Leadership and administrative staff report.

Aug 6 – 7 Universal Professional Learning Institute
District professional learning for staff.

Aug 18 First Day for All Teachers and Staff
All teachers and staff report for the year.

Aug 18 – 22 Professional Learning for All Staff / Kindergarten Parent/Teacher Interviews
Staff professional learning and kindergarten interviews.

Aug 25 – 29 Professional Learning for All Staff / Kindergarten Parent/Teacher Interviews
Continued staff professional learning and kindergarten interviews.

Aug 28 Universal Community Back-to-School Block Party (All Schools)
Community back-to-school event for all schools.

SEPTEMBER 2025

Sep 1 Labor Day (Schools and Offices Closed)
Labor Day holiday; schools and offices closed.

Sep 2 First Day of School for All Scholars (Grades K-12)
First instructional day for scholars.

Sep 8 Acadience Testing Begins
Beginning of the Acadience first administration window.

Sep 23 Rosh Hashanah (Schools and Offices Closed)
Religious holiday; schools and offices closed.

OCTOBER 2025

Oct 10 Acadience Testing Ends
End of the Acadience first administration window.

Oct 2 Yom Kippur (Schools and Offices Closed)
Religious holiday; schools and offices closed.

Oct 9 Principals' Meeting / Instructional Rounds @ Universal Creighton
Leadership meeting and instructional rounds.

Oct 13 Indigenous People's Day (Schools and Offices Closed)
Holiday; schools and offices closed.

Oct 16 Interim Reports
Interim progress reports issued.

Oct 18 Virtual Teacher Induction
Virtual induction for teachers (9:00 AM – 1:00 PM).

Oct 24 Half Day Staff Professional Development (All Scholars Dismissed at 12:00 PM)
Half day PD; all scholars dismissed at 12:00 PM.

NOVEMBER 2025

Nov 4 Second Marking Period Begins
Start of second marking period.

Nov 4 Election Day / Half Day Staff Professional Development (All Scholars Dismissed at 12:00 PM)
Half day PD on Election Day; scholars dismissed at 12:00 PM.

Nov 6 Principals' Meeting / Instructional Rounds @ Universal UICS
Leadership meeting and instructional rounds.

Nov 11 Veterans' Day (Schools and Offices Closed)
Veterans Day; schools and offices closed.

Nov 14 Parent/Teacher Report Card Conferences (All Scholars Dismissed at 12:00 PM)
Report card conferences; scholars dismissed at 12:00 PM.

Nov 15 Virtual Teacher Induction
Virtual induction for teachers (9:00 AM – 1:00 PM).

Nov 26 Half Day Staff Professional Development (All Scholars Dismissed at 12:00 PM)
Half day PD; scholars dismissed at 12:00 PM.

Nov 27 – 28 Thanksgiving Holiday (Schools and Offices Closed)
Thanksgiving holiday break; schools and offices closed.

DECEMBER 2025

Dec 1 Acadience Testing Begins (Mid-Year Progress)
Beginning of Acadience mid-year progress window.

Dec 3 Keystone Exams: Winter Wave 1 (Algebra, Biology, and Literature) Begins
Start of winter Keystone exam window.

Dec 17 Keystone Exams: Winter Wave 1 (Algebra, Biology, and Literature) Ends
End of winter Keystone exam window.

Dec 13 Virtual Induction

Dec 17 Principals and Assistant Principals' Meeting @ Universal Audenried
Leadership meeting at Universal Audenried.

Dec 19 Interim Reports
Interim progress reports issued.

Dec 22 – Jan 4 Winter Recess (Schools and Offices Closed)
Winter recess; schools and offices closed.

JANUARY 2026

Jan 16 Acadience Testing Ends (Mid-Year Progress)
End of Acadience mid-year progress window.

Jan 5 Schools and Offices Open (Staff and Scholars)
School resumes after winter recess.

Jan 15 Principals' Meeting / Instructional Rounds @ Universal Alcorn
Leadership meeting and instructional rounds.

Jan 19 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Schools and Offices Closed)
MLK Day; schools and offices closed.

Jan 24 Virtual Teacher Induction
Virtual induction for teachers (9:00 AM – 1:00 PM).

Jan 23 Second Marking Period Ends
End of second marking period.

Jan 26 Third Marking Period Begins
Start of third marking period.

FEBRUARY 2026

Feb 6 Parent/Teacher Report Card Conferences (All Scholars Dismissed at 12:00 PM)

Report card conferences; scholars dismissed at 12:00 PM.

Feb 16 Presidents' Day (Schools and Offices Closed)

Presidents' Day; schools and offices closed.

Feb 17 Full Day Staff Professional Development (School Closed for Scholars)

Full day PD; school closed for scholars.

Feb 19 Principals' Meeting / Instructional Rounds @ Universal Vare

Leadership meeting and instructional rounds.

Feb 21 Virtual Teacher Induction

Virtual induction for teachers (9:00 AM – 1:00 PM).

MARCH 2026

Mar 3 Interim Reports

Interim progress reports issued.

Mar 12 Principals' Meeting / Instructional Rounds @ Universal Audenried

Leadership meeting and instructional rounds.

Mar 19 Half Day Staff Professional Development (All Scholars Dismissed at 12:00 PM)

Half day PD; scholars dismissed at 12:00 PM.

Mar 20 Religious Holiday (Schools and Offices Closed)

Religious holiday; schools and offices closed.

Mar 30 – Apr 3 Spring Recess (Schools and Offices Closed)

Spring recess; schools and offices closed.

APRIL 2026

Apr 14 Third Marking Period Ends

End of third marking period.

Apr 15 Fourth Marking Period Begins

Start of fourth marking period.

Apr 20 PSSA English Language Arts (ELA) Testing Begins (Grades 3–8)

Start of PSSA ELA testing window for grades 3–8.

Apr 24 PSSA English Language Arts (ELA) Testing Ends (Grades 3–8)

End of PSSA ELA testing window for grades 3–8.

Apr 24 Parent/Teacher Report Card Conferences (All Scholars Dismissed at 12:00 PM)

Report card conferences; scholars dismissed at 12:00 PM.

Apr 27 PSSA Mathematics, Science and ELA Make-ups Begin (Grades 3–8)

Start of PSSA make-up testing window.

May 8 PSSA Mathematics, Science and ELA Make-ups End (Grades 3–8)

End of PSSA make-up testing window.

MAY 2026

May 1 Acadience Final Administration Begins

Beginning of final Acadience administration.

May 30 Acadience Final Administration Ends

End of final Acadience administration.

May 4 – 8 PSSA Mathematics, Science Make-ups (Grades 3–8) / Testing Window

PSSA math/science testing and make-ups for grades 3–8.

May 11 Spring Keystone Exams (Algebra, Biology, and Literature) Begins

Start of spring Keystone exam window.

May 22 Spring Keystone Exams (Algebra, Biology, and Literature) Ends

End of spring Keystone exam window.

May 8 Interim Reports

Interim progress reports issued.

May 14 Principals' Meeting – Virtual

Virtual principals' meeting.

May 19 Half Day Staff Professional Development (All Scholars Dismissed at 12:00 PM)

Half day PD; scholars dismissed at 12:00 PM.

May 25 Memorial Day (Schools and Offices Closed)

Memorial Day; schools and offices closed.

May 27 Eid-al-Adha (Schools and Offices Closed)

Religious holiday; schools and offices closed.

JUNE 2026

Jun 14 – 15 Graduation / Move-up Day Window

Window for graduation and move-up ceremonies.

Jun 17 Last Day for Scholars (Scholars Dismissed at 12:00 PM)

Final scholar day; early dismissal at 12:00 PM.

Jun 17 Fourth Marking Period Ends

End of fourth marking period.

Jun 18 Last Day for Teachers and Staff

Final contracted day for teachers and staff.

Jun 19 Juneteenth (Schools and Offices Closed)

Juneteenth holiday; schools and offices closed.

Jun 25 Principals' and Assistant Principals' End of Year Celebration

End-of-year celebration for principals and assistant principals.

Jun 30 Last Day for 10-month Principals and Assistant Principals

Final contracted day for 10-month principals and assistant principals.