

**ACORN HILL WALDORF KINDERGARTEN & NURSERY  
SCHOOL CALENDAR 2018-19**



Aug 20	Mon	Business office reopens, 9am–3pm
Aug 28	Tue	All-School Workday, 9–11 am
Sept 5	Wed	Open Houses, Five Day classes
Sept 6	Thu	First day for Five Day classes
Sept 10	Mon	Rosh Hashanah, school closed
Sept 11	Tue	First day for Young Nursery, Three Day Nursery
Sept 13	Thu	First day for Parent-Child Thursday
Sept 19	Wed	Yom Kippur, school closed
Sept 23	Sun	* Community Potluck Picnic, 4:30–6:30pm (* sponsored by Parent Circle)
Oct 28	Sun	* Family Pumpkin Carving, 3:30–5pm
Oct 31	Wed	* Halloween Trick-or-Treat, 5:30–7pm
Nov 12	Mon	Veteran’s Day, school closed
Nov 21	Wed	Half day, noon dismissal, Afternoon and Lunch programs cancelled
Nov 22-23	Th/F	Thanksgiving Break
Nov 26	Mon	School resumes
Dec 1-2	Sat/Su	Midwinter Garden, times to be announced
Dec 8	Sat	* Family Holiday Crafting Social/Wee One Shoppe, 9:30am–12:30pm
Dec 21	Fri	Half day, noon dismissal, Afternoon and Lunch programs cancelled
Dec 24-Jan 4	M-F	Winter Break, school closed
Jan 7	Mon	School resumes
Jan 10/11	Th/F	First day for Spring Parent-Child Thursday/Friday
Jan 21	Mon	Martin Luther King Jr. Day, school closed
Feb 10	Sun	* Candlemas Bonfire and Family Heritage Potluck, 4–5pm
Feb 18	Mon	Presidents’ Day, school closed
Feb 19-20	T/W	February Break, school closed (* Feb 20 Contingency Calendar day)
Feb 21	Thu	School resumes
Mar 9	Sat	* Annual Auction Social, 6:30–9:30pm
Apr 15-22	M-M	Passover/Easter Break, school closed
Apr 23	Tue	School resumes
May 10	Fri	Half day, noon dismissal, Afternoon and Lunch programs cancelled
May 11	Sat	Spring Fair, 10am–2pm
May 27	Mon	Memorial Day observed, school closed
Jun 6	Thu	Last day for Parent-Child Thursday
Jun 7	Fri	Last day for Parent-Child Friday
Jun 11	Tue	Last day for Young Nursery, Three Day Nursery, Five Day classes. Half day, noon dismissal, Afternoon and Lunch programs cancelled

**Contingency Calendar for days closed for emergencies**

This calendar includes 170 days of instruction, plus 3 additional days for emergency school closures. If the school year is disrupted by emergencies (including, but not limited to, snow days) and school is closed, the school year will be extended as follows:

**If school is closed...**

4 days

**If school is closed...**

5 days

6 days

**school will be held on...**

\* Wednesday, February 20

**the school year will be extended by...**

one day to Wednesday, June 12

two days to Thursday, June 13

## SCHOOL CLOSINGS FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER

*If Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) are closed, Acorn Hill will be closed. If MCPS have a delayed opening, Acorn Hill will open at 10am (Early Birds is cancelled).*

*Closures are posted on our website ([www.acornhill.org](http://www.acornhill.org)) and voicemail (301-565-2282) after 6am, and we will attempt to send out an email to all parents with school closure information.*

*During inclement weather (hurricane, icy or snowy conditions) please check MCPS announcements, which are broadcast on television and radio, and posted online at <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/emergency/>. Please register with [www.alert.montgomerymd.gov](http://www.alert.montgomerymd.gov) and select MCPS schools to receive updates on school closings. Acorn Hill does NOT follow early closing decisions, but makes an independent decision based on the circumstances. If bad weather should develop during a school day, you may pick your child up early if you wish.*

## EMERGENCY CLOSURES / LATE OPENINGS CHART

Acorn Hill routinely follows Montgomery County Public School (MCPS) emergency schedule changes in two situations only: closures for inclement weather (primarily snow) and late openings for inclement weather (primarily snow). In the event that the county schools are already closed (for an in-service, for instance) we will follow the Montgomery County government closings. Additionally, if MCPS has extended closures, beyond 3 days, Acorn Hill will make an independent decision.

Please look at the chart below to see what Acorn Hill does when county schools have emergency closings. Some examples of emergency closures are:

- Inclement Weather: hazardous snow and ice conditions (snow days)
- All other inclement weather related conditions (hurricane, tornado, severe thunderstorms, etc.)
- Electrical power/heat/ failures

<b>If Mont. County Schools are:</b>	<b>Acorn Hill will:</b>
Opening late for inclement weather and cancelling morning programs	Cancel Early Birds (8-9). Acorn Hill opens at 10am.
Closed for inclement weather: snow days (snow and ice conditions)	Also be closed. (except after 3 days, see detail above)
Closed for all other inclement weather related conditions (hurricane, tornado, severe thunderstorms, etc.)	Also be closed.
Closed for electrical power failures and water failures	Make an independent decision. Check the website/call the school after 6am for information.
Closed for all other emergency closures	Make an independent decision. Check the website/call the school after 6am for information.
Closed early for any reason	Make an independent decision. Check the website/call the school after 6am for information.