

**ACORN HILL WALDORF KINDERGARTEN & NURSERY  
SCHOOL CALENDAR 2019-20**



Aug 19	Mon	Business office reopens, 9am–3 pm
Aug 27	Tue	All-School Workday, 9–11 am
Aug 28	Wed	Back-To-School Night, 7:30–9 pm
Sept 3	Tue	Open Houses, Five Day and Three Day classes
Sept 4	Wed	First day for Five Day and Three Day classes
Sept 12/13	Th/F	First day for Parent-Child Thursday/Friday
Sept 22	Sun	* Community Potluck Picnic, 4:30–6:30 pm (* sponsored by Parent Circle)
Sept 30	Mon	Rosh Hashanah, school closed
Oct 9	Wed	Yom Kippur, school closed
Oct 27	Sun	* Family Pumpkin Carving, 3–5 pm
Oct 31	Thu	* Halloween Trick-or-Treat, 5–6:30 pm
Nov 11	Mon	Veteran’s Day, school closed
Nov 27	Wed	Half day, noon dismissal, Afternoon and Lunch programs cancelled
Nov 28-29	Th/F	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 2	Mon	School resumes
Dec 7-8	Sa/Su	Midwinter Garden, times to be announced
Dec 14	Sat	* Family Holiday Crafting Social/Wee One Shoppe, 9:30 am–12:30 pm
Dec 20	Fri	Half day, noon dismissal, Afternoon and Lunch programs cancelled
Dec 23-Jan 3	M-F	Winter Break, school closed
Jan 6	Mon	School resumes
Jan 9/10	Th/F	First day for Spring Parent-Child Thursday/Friday
Jan 20	Mon	Martin Luther King Jr. Day, school closed
Feb 9	Sun	* Candlemas Bonfire and Family Heritage Potluck, 4–5:30 pm
Feb 17	Mon	Presidents’ Day, school closed
Feb 18-19	T/W	February Break, school closed (* Feb 19 Contingency Calendar day)
Feb 20	Thu	School resumes
Mar 14	Sat	* Annual Auction Social, 6:30–9:30 pm
Apr 1	Wed	Grandparents’/Special Friends’ Day
Apr 6-13	M-M	Passover/Easter Break, school closed
Apr 14	Tue	School resumes
May 8	Fri	Half day, noon dismissal, Afternoon and Lunch programs cancelled
May 9	Sat	Spring Fair, 10 am–2 pm
May 25	Mon	Memorial Day observed, school closed
Jun 4/5	Th/F	Last day for Parent-Child Thursday/Friday
Jun 8	Mon	Last day for Five Day and Three 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 19

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

one day to Tuesday, June 9

two days to Wednesday, June 10

## 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.*

*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/>. 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.